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Three people to face court two weeks after Alice Springs teenager found dead

MURDER CHARGE

Zizi Averill

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Landlords want their slice

Pizza shop owners sued for breach of lease

Alex Treacy

A company and its three directors who were behind a Northern Suburbs pizza shop that voluntarily closed in December 2021 in protest of the Territory's strict vaccine mandate is being sued by its landlord for almost $120,000 in damages.

Milhinhos Nominees Pty Ltd filed a claim against ZPM Pty Ltd, which operated Nightcliff Shopping Centre eatery NT Pizza Co, and its directors, Maria Charinou (who subsequently left the company in April 2021), Zaharoula Talias and Panteleimon Talias, in January of last year.

The case has been winding its way through Darwin Local Court's civil division since then.

Milhinhos Nominees Pty Ltd, owned by shopping centre founder Tony Milhinhos, 80, and Rosemary Milhinhos, 48, is claiming $119,739.94 in damages against ZPM and its three directors for breach of a commercial lease.

According to a decision earlier this month by Acting Judge Ray Murphy, in which he ruled against a bid by Ms Talias to have the case dismissed, ZPM maintained possession of the premises at Shop 27, 159 Dick Ward Drive, Coconut Grove, between November 22, 2019, and April 4, 2022.

Maria Charinou and Panteleimon Talias.

The lease terms, sent to the defendants' lawyer Pipina Papazoglou via email on November 21, 2019, included a first-year rent of $49,400, a security deposit, and a requirement that all three directors sign a personal guarantee, Acting Judge Murphy said. However, according to his decision, Ms Talias informed her co-defendants and Ms Papazoglou she "was not comfortable in giving a personal guarantee and did not agree to do so". This was not communicated to the plaintiff's lawyer, Yiota Tsoukalis.

The co-defendants never signed the lease, despite emails to Ms Papazoglou from Ms Tsoukalis on December 16, 2019, February 14 and March 15, 2020, according to the decision.

On April 5, 2020, Ms Charinou wrote to the plaintiff advising ZPM was unable to pay its rent for the next six months, totalling $26,000, Acting Judge Murphy said.

NT Pizza Co ceased trading on November 12, 2021, due to the directors' refusal to get vaccinated by the following day under the Territory's strict Covid vaccination mandate.

The plaintiff, in its claim, argued it should be entitled to damages as the defendants engaged in misleading and deceptive conduct in contravention of the federal Competition and Consumer Act 2010.

But Ms Talias argued that the claim should be doomed to fail due to the Law of Property Act 2000 (NT), which bars proceedings unless a contract is signed and in writing.

Acting Judge Murphy ruled that there was no basis for summary dismissal, as argued by Ms Talias, due to the possibility she engaged in deceptive or misleading conduct, and because she is yet to file a notice of defence.

The matter has been adjourned back to the judicial registrar for case management, to return at a later date.

In a social media post announcing the business's closure, Ms Charinou (who goes by Ms Harinou on social media) and husband Peter said due to the vaccination mandate, "we have been forced to close our doors and walk away from our business".

Cops nab teen who 'broke' monitor

Nathaniel Chambers

NT Police have caught a 13-year-old repeat offender after he allegedly breached bail and attempted to escape police by removing his electronic monitoring device.

The boy allegedly broke and released himself from the device earlier in the week, prompting a police search to find him.

Police received information about his location on Thursday and tracked him to a home in the Alice Springs suburb of Gillen. A police drone confirmed that he had fled through to the residence's backyard, where police found him under a large tree.

He was arrested without further incident and taken to the Alice Springs Watch House, where he will be handed additional charges relating to the allegations of breach of bail and removing the monitor.

Detective Senior Sergeant Michael Budge said the safety of the community remained the top priority.

"Police want to emphasise that the safety of our community is our top priority," he said.

"And we will use all available resources to prevent criminal activities."

Families back to school with $50 boost

Sierra Haigh

An extra $50 is enough to make or break a Territory student's first day of school, and a government back to school voucher is aiming to give families just that.

The NT government's Back To School voucher initiative has been given a $50 boost, raising the amount to $200 per school-aged child.

Moulden Primary School parent Kirsty Pratt said the extra money meant parents could breathe a little easier when sending their kids to school in 2024.

"With the rise in the cost of living, obviously the extra 50 bucks will definitely go a long way," Ms Pratt said.

"It can be for an extra uniform, or to put money towards excursions and things like that – I think it's awesome."

Education Minister Mark Monaghan said 95 per cent of the vouchers were redeemed in 2023, equating to 41,173 students out of 43,332 across the NT.

He said the scheme would be redeemable until the end of term one.

"This is one of the things I remember as a teacher that goes to the heart of justice," Mr Monaghan said.

"It's about that first day for that family who may not have been able to afford exactly what the child sitting next to them could afford."

Chief Minister Eva Lawler said the scheme was a way to help those "doing it tough".

"Every Territory child deserves the best start in life and this scheme helps families to provide the necessities kids need to get their year off to a good start," she said.

"It's an ongoing commitment by our government to change the Back To School voucher to $200.

"Every school child in the Northern Territory, every school-aged child gets it.

"So that's a preschooler, a homeschooler, government school, non-government school."

The raise in the amount comes as families were granted access to $100 sport vouchers per student.

Chief Minister Eva Lawler and Education Minister Mark Monaghan at Gunbalanya School. Picture: Sierra Haigh

Woman hit by bottle

Police are calling for witnesses after a woman was severely injured by a bottle in Darwin City on New Year's Eve.

Between 9pm and 10pm the 27-year-old was struck in the head by the bottle while outside a complex on Knuckey St.

The bottle is believed to have been thrown from a high level from somewhere within the vicinity of the Mantra Pandanas, a 28-storey hotel on the street.

St John Ambulance paramedics provided medical attention before taking her to the Royal Darwin Hospital.

Any witnesses or people with information about the incident are encouraged to contact police on 131 444 or provide anonymous information to Crime Stoppers at 1800 333 000.

Childcare wages 'key' to unlocking spots

Clare Armstrong
National political editor

Families face higher childcare costs or a shortage of places for their kids if Labor does not commit funds to cover a much-needed wage increase for early educators.

Unions and employers currently at the negotiating table are still waiting on the federal government to indicate if, and how much, it is willing to contribute to a payrise needed to help the struggling sector retain and attract more staff.

Sources familiar with the negotiations say if Labor fails to step up, childcare providers will have to pass on costs to families, or if an agreement can't be reached then the sector will be unlikely to attract the staff needed to meet demand for places.

United Workers Union executive director of early education Helen Gibbons said a wage increase to help retain and attract extra staff was the "key" to unlocking more affordable childcare places.

She said staff shortages had led to centres "closing rooms and turning parents away".

"This wage increase is absolutely integral," Ms Gibbons said. "It's the missing piece to the government's cheaper childcare commitment."

Education Minister Jason Clare acknowledged more work was needed to retain childcare workers and keep the service available to families.

"We have cut the cost of child care and there are 14,000 more early childhood workers than there were 18 months ago, but there is still a lot more to do," he said. "There aren't many jobs more important than what our early childhood educators and teachers do ... the work they do is critical to our children and our economy."

Crushed worker 'lucky'

WorkSafe says man injured by tonne of steel beams

Alex Treacy

A Darwin subcontractor is "pretty lucky to be alive" and faces months of rehabilitation after being crushed by more than 1.2 tonnes of bundled steel beams at a workplace.

According to a statement by NT WorkSafe, the incident occurred in late September when two workers were loading bundles of steel on to a trailer using a forklift.

The injured worker, who was a subcontractor, was acting as a spotter and standing on the opposite side of the trailer to the forklift, when a load slipped from the forklift tynes as it was being lowered.

"Initial reports of the incident to NT WorkSafe indicated the worker had sustained life threatening injuries," the statement reads. "Fortunately the worker survived but suffered multiple fractures throughout his body and was hospitalised for two months.

"The worker is still receiving medical treatment and faces months of rehabilitation."

A spokesman for NT WorkSafe told the NT News that the matter remained under investigation, with no charges laid, and that the worker was "pretty lucky to be alive".

According to NT Worksafe's statement, the regulator believes there were a number of contributing factors to the accident.

They include the "awkward" nature of the 1.2 tonne-plus load, which measured six by one metres; the absence of a pallet, leading to less friction between the plastic-wrapped load and the forklift tynes; and the possibility that the forklift mast was tilted forward when the load was lowered, causing slippage.

The forklift operator may also have lost sight of the spotter, "who had moved to stand near the load as it was being lowered", NT WorkSafe said.

The regulator urged businesses across the Territory that regularly use forklifts to be mindful of several safety measures.

Awkward loads that have the potential to slip should be placed on a pallet, a pre-start check of the forklift and risk assessments should be conducted before use, and communication methods between operator and spotter should be established prior to the work.

Workers "should never approach the forklift and assume that the operator can see them".

The NT WorkSafe spokesman was unable to confirm the exact date or location of the incident, citing the need to ensure procedural fairness to the business while the investigation takes place.

Hapless burglars fail ram raid bid

Fia Walsh

A Darwin supermarket was lucky to escape damage after an apparent attempted ram raid on Thursday morning, but the family behind the business says the incident is a sad reminder of the crime and anti-social behaviour it deals with daily.

Nightcliff Friendly Grocer manager Ben Feick found an abandoned car just metres from the shop's front doors.

A flat tyre and smashed front bumper showed evidence of a failed attempt at breaking in.

"I think they've got the calculation wrong on how big the gutter was, we're pretty lucky nothing was damaged," Mr Feick said.

But the incident also left him feeling "uneasy".

"If they come back with a four-wheel drive it would be a different story, if something like that happens we wouldn't be able to open the store that day."

Mr Feick's family has run the store at Nightcliff for 25 years and he says they've suffered up to 40 break-ins over that time.

"Through the whirlybirds in the roof, smashing glass windows – back when you could have that type of thing. The store's turned into a barricade these days," he said.

Mr Feick said he believed crime had "definitely got worse" over the past decade.

"Just yesterday one of our staff was threatened with a wine bottle, they shouldn't have to deal with that at work," he said.

"The entitlement of bad behaviour has really escalated, you get tired of it."

Mr Feick said he was lobbying the council to allow him to install bollards at the front of the shop, but had been knocked back as they would need to be installed on council land.

The damaged car was found on Thursday morning and Nightcliff Friendly Grocer manager Ben Feick (inset) says the would-be thieves appeared to have gotten the calculation wrong on how big the gutter was.

Concern as drugs stolen in clinic raids

Zizi Averill

Bandits have made off with fentanyl and ketamine following a smash-and-grab raid of a vet clinic and health facility.

NT Police have urged the public to come forward with information after the Katherine Wurli Health Services and Katherine Veterinary Clinic were broken into on Wednesday morning.

Investigators believe that about 2.30am a trio of unknown offenders broke into the two businesses on Second St, Katherine.

Police said various items were taken, including quantities of fentanyl and ketamine.

Three persons of interest were seen heading north across the Katherine Bridge along the Stuart Highway an hour after the break-in.

Police warned the community that stolen drugs "particularly fentanyl pose an extreme danger".

"Fentanyl is designed to be absorbed into the body through various means, including transdermal transmission — through the skin," a spokesman said.

NT Police told the public that if they thought they had come into contact with the fentanyl and ketamine, to call triple-0 "immediately" and seek medical attention.

However, medical experts have said the risk of an fentanyl opioid overdose was extremely unlikely from brief, unintentional exposure.

A 2021 International Journal of Drug Policy research paper found that while there had been hundreds of accounts of first responders reporting an overdose after accidental fentanyl contact, their symptoms tended to match panic or anxiety attacks.

There were no confirmed cases of an officer having an overdose after touching fentanyl.

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Exploring the Darwin Street Art Festival murals. Picture: Tourism Australia/Nicholas Kavo

Time shift for bigger street art festival

Bethany Griffiths

Darwin's famed Street Art Festival is set to return to the Top End this year, even earlier than expected.

The eighth instalment of the event will run from May 18 to June 8 instead of the usual September and October timeslot.

The new timing means Darwin will be able to collaborate with other street art festivals across the country that run during the same time.

Artists will also be relieved at the changed time frame, with much cooler temperatures throughout the dry season.

Celebrating both interstate and international artists, and businesses and infrastructure in the NT, the festival has expanded out into regions and has resulted in more than 100 murals over the eight years.

Chief Minister Eva Lawler said the government supported the festival through Activate Darwin and urged local businesses to get involved this year.

"I encourage interested building and business owners to register to have their walls painted, with the Darwin Street Art Festival also generating more foot traffic into our CBD, which means residents and visitors are supporting our local businesses and keeping our economy moving," she said.

Building owners who have space for a mural to be painted can register their interest from January 15 at darwinstreetartfestival.com.au.

Jack Karczewski was director of public prosecutions from 2013 to 2021.

Legal profession marks passing of justice titan

Fia Walsh

The former director of public prosecutions in the Northern Territory is being honoured for decades of service to the legal profession after his death.

Wojciech Jacek "Jack" Karczewski KC died in Brisbane late last year after an almost four-decade career in the NT.

He was 71.

Groups including the Criminal Lawyers Association of the NT, the Law Society of the NT and the Judges of the Supreme Court marked his passing "with great sadness".

"Jack's contribution to the administration of justice in the Northern Territory and in particular to the (NT Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions) is immeasurable," the Criminal Lawyers Association said in a statement.

Mr Karczewski was admitted as a lawyer in the Territory in 1984, following his admission to practice in Queensland in 1974 and to the Supreme Court of Papua New Guinea in 1975.

He was appointed Queen's Counsel – now King's Counsel – in 2001, one of the highest honours a barrister can attain.

In 2013, Mr Karczewski became director of public prosecutions in the Territory, a role in which he "worked tirelessly" until his retirement in 2021.

The Law Society Northern Territory recognised Mr Karczewski's "long contribution to the legal profession", extending "sincere condolences" to his loved ones.

Mr Karczewski is survived by his wife Anna, his two daughters and his son.

He was a member of the Royal Australian Air Force Specialist Reserve (Legal), holding the rank of wing commander.

Mr Karczewski was also a member of the Bar Council from 2000 to 2019, a member of the Executive of the Criminal Lawyers' Association from its inception in 1986 to 2008, and a member of the Council of Law Reporting.

Murder charge expected

Trio in court over death

Zizi Averill

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Two men aged 20 and 21 years old were arrested last Monday, along with a 17-year-old boy.

The young trio were held in custody for more than six days — 144 hours — without a charge.

However on Sunday a police spokesman confirmed that the teenager and 21-year-old were expected to be charged with being an accessory to murder after the fact.

The 22, 21 and 17-year-old are due to face Alice Springs Local Court on Monday.

"Detectives have been in contact with the deceased's family to update them on the progress of the investigation and the status of the charges that will be laid," a spokesman said.

However, NT Police confirmed that the 20-year-old arrested six days ago had been released "pending further investigations".

Unlike every other state which sets a 48 hour limit to pre-charge detention, the Northern Territory has no maximum period of detention before charges are laid.

Northern Territory Police can continue to hold a person without charge for a "reasonable period", which could include the complexity of the investigation, time taken to interview witnesses, complete forensic analysis, or the need to access legal or interpreter services

A recent United Nations anti-torture investigation recommended that the maximum detention periods prior to charge be set at 48 hours in all states and territories, and that any extension be limited in time and subject to judicial review.

In response the Australian Government said the Territory was an anomaly, with all other jurisdictions not allowing pre-charge detention beyond 48 hours with additional safeguards for children and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"Every minute that the person is held in custody (in the Northern Territory) ... must be justified," the Australian government response said.

Investigations into Mr Gatluak's death are ongoing with police urging anyone with any information to contact them immediately on 131 444, quoting reference number NTP2400000232.

Wong on Israel peace trip

Courtney Gould

Penny Wong has announced she will meet with the families of Israeli hostages on her peace trip to the Middle East as tensions continue to rise in the region over the Israel-Hamas conflict.

The Foreign Minister will travel to Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory in the West Bank where she will meet with families of hostages and survivors of the October 7 attacks.

She will also meet with those impacted by settler violence in the West Bank.

"This visit is about advocating for a pathway out of this conflict," Senator Wong said ahead of her departure.

Penny Wong

"In my meetings I will be advocating for an increase in the delivery of vital humanitarian assistance, the upholding of international law and greater protection of civilians, and avoiding regional escalation."

Senator Wong's trip follows that of US Secretary of State Antony Blinken who was in the region last week.

He warned the Israeli government the civilian death tool in Gaza was "far too high".

Sunday marked 100 days since terror group Hamas killed 1200 Israelis and took another 240 hostage.

Israel's retaliation has killed more than 20,000 Palestinians in Gaza in the three months since. The Foreign Minister will have to walk a tightrope as she reiterates Australia's condemnation of Hamas' and support for Israel's right to defend itself while also calling for steps to be taken towards a "sustainable ceasefire".

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Danes herald a new era as Frederik and Mary reign

MARY DONALDSON WAS A COMMONER WHEN SHE MARRIED A DANISH PRINCE IN 2004, AND NOW SHE IS THE NEWLY-CROWNED, AUSTRALIAN-BORN QUEEN OF DENMARK

Australian-born Andrew Mina, 43, and his daughter, Annika, 12, live in Copenhagen and will celebrate the proclamation. Picture: Danielle Gusmaroli

Danielle Gusmaroli in Copenhagen, and David Mills

Long live Mary, the newly-crowned, Australian-born Queen of Denmark.

With giant fireworks and parties that were expected to go long into the night, Denmark has welcomed in the reign of Queen Mary and King Frederik, who were proclaimed by Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen on the balcony of Copenhagen's Christiansborg Castle.

Prince Christian

Their ascension to the throne came as Danes honoured the service of their beloved Queen Margrethe II, who announced her decision to abdicate in favour of her son in a televised address on New Year's Day.

Her 52 years on the throne had made her the world's longest-serving monarch, a record she had held since the death of her third cousin, Britain's Queen Elizabeth, in September 2022.

Around 100,000 Danes lined the streets on Sunday to catch a glimpse of Queen Margrethe in her last act as monarch, making her way to Christiansborg Castle in a gold carriage escorted by guards on horseback. Media from 79 countries covered the event.

Former Melburnian Lucas Kraeddergaard, 33, from Copenhagen, was among the Aussies in the crowd at Christiansborg Palace.

"Queen Margrethe's abdication is a moment in history I'll never see again in my lifetime," he said. "Duty has characterised her reign; we're indebted to her. And we're excited about getting a new reign.

"Everyone loves Queen Mary. I've met her several times and whenever she hears my Aussie accent she tells me 'That's so nice.'

Sydney-born Andrew Mina, 43, and his daughter Annika, 12, who live in Copenhagen, said they had camped out early to see the celebrations. They had both met the royal couple, and Annika plays football with the couple's youngest twin daughter, Princess Josephine.

"We're excited to be getting a new reign and an Australian Queen," Mr Mina said.

Annika said of her teammate: "Princess Josephine has been training hard and is really quite good at football and plays attacker. She's really friendly and nice.

"I sometimes see her mum sitting in the car waiting to pick her up after football – they're a pretty cool family," she said.

The transition was put into immediate effect when Queen Margrethe signed a declaration of her abdication in front of the Danish Council of State, as well as Frederik and Mary and their eldest son, Christian, 18, who is now the direct heir to the throne.

> "We're excited to be getting a new reign and an Australian Queen"
>
> **Andrew Mina**
> Australian living in Copenhagen

While there was no official Australian presence at a brief ceremony following the Council of State meeting, Queen Mary had a reminder of her former home in the presence of her sister Jane Stephens, a Hobart-based pharmacist who is also godmother to Crown Prince Christian. Her father John was unable to attend because of poor health.

Danes got their first glimpse of King Frederik X and Queen Mary when they were proclaimed on the balcony by Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen.

Afterwards, the royal couple were transported in the gold carriage to the family abode within Amalienborg Palace.

Crowds jammed the octagonal square outside Amalienborg hoping for a glimpse of their new-look royal family, with the photogenic and still-young ruling couple (Frederik is 55, Mary 51) at its heart.

The occasion was marked by cannon shots at the entrance to Copenhagen Harbour, the raising of the royal flag and, later, a massive fireworks display over the city.

Britain's King Charles was among the other monarchs who sent a message of congratulations, saying that along with his wife, Queen Camilla, "I look forward to working with you on ensuring that the enduring bond between our countries, and our families, remains strong, and to working together with you on issues which matter so much for our countries and the wider world."

He paid tribute to the "many years of service" of Queen Margrethe in his public statement, and wrote to her privately, as well.

Celebrations are set to continue with a parliamentary reception on Monday, and a mass next Sunday.

Hobart-born Mary's path to the Danish crown began in the year 2000, soon after she met the then Prince Frederik in a Sydney bar during the Olympic Games. Their courtship stayed secret until November 2001, when a Danish magazine revealed Mary's identity.

Mary married Frederik in 2004, and she came to be highly regarded by both the Danish people and Queen Margrethe.

Lykke Borup, Nick Procter and Ingrid Geoghegan toast the coronation. Picture: Valeriu Campan

Former Crown Prince Frederik and former Crown Princess Mary of Denmark on the balcony of Amalienborg Palace, top right, in May 2018. The couple are now King and Queen of Denmark following the abdication of Queen Margrethe II, right, who, in her last act as monarch, made her way to Christiansborg Castle in a gold carriage escorted by guards on horseback. Pictures: Getty Images, AFP

Expats toast a jewel in the crown

Charles Miranda

Aussie-born Mary's ascension as Queen of Denmark was the jewel in the crown that will forever tie the two nations, according to expat Danes in Australia.

Australia's modest but passionately proud Danish community was always going to celebrate the once-in-a-generation crowning of a new King and Queen.

But they did so on Sunday with added gusto for the Queen from Down Under, toasting the bonus connection with Akvavit shots and pickled herring and cucumber smorrebrod.

"The Danish community is of course very excited," the Danish Club vice president Lykke Borup said. "Everyone is really supporting it and, for me, (Margrethe) has been the only Queen I've ever known and I'm only in my 40s, so it's definitely a once-in-a-generation kind of event.

"Having that Australian connection (Mary) is now also just making it more exciting for us here, I think. Frederik and Mary, both of them, are like such a power couple, so I think it's perfect timing for the royal family and for them and for their son Christian, too, to step up – he's just turned 18 – as Crown Prince. I couldn't think of a better timing (for succession) ... they will put Denmark more on the map."

The 134-year-old Danish Club is one of the oldest cultural clubs in Australia and is usually closed this time of year but opened its Melbourne headquarters for a succession celebration.

Ms Borup, an award-winning jeweller, has her own personal connection with the royals with her family's jewellery business in Denmark making pieces for the royal family, including Mary.

Fellow ex-pat Dane Rasmus Fiedler, who runs social and cultural gatherings under the banner Young Vikings in Town, also has a royal connection, having met Frederik and Mary in 2011 during a royal visit to Australia. "It's great for us in Australia to have an Australian-born queen," he said. "They are so popular compared to the English royal family ... and to have Mary come here every year for her family is great, but I'm not sure how that will pan out now. She probably won't be able to do that alone any more."

Mr Fiedler said the best thing about having an Aussie queen meant you could read about her regularly in the Australian news.

"I'm not sure if you lived in Hungary you'd be reading the same about the Danish royal court and I don't hear much about the Swedish royal court here either," he joked.

With three in four Danes in support of the current system, Mary takes her place at the head of one of Europe's most beloved monarchies, at a time when support for royalty in the Netherlands, Sweden and Spain is plummeting.

But the timing is awkward. Queen Margrethe's surprise decision to abdicate, after earlier saying she intended never to do so, and the haste with which the handover happened, fuelled rival conspiracy theories: one that she is in poorer health than previously believed; and the other suggesting the transition was done to sideline recent gossip that Frederik had had an affair with a Mexican socialite in Spain, a claim which that woman denied.

The crowning of the new King and Queen is already creating speculation that a state visit to Australia could be on the cards, although a 2024 trip is considered unlikely because of the planned official visit by King Charles and Queen Camilla.

While state visits by non-British royals are not common in Australia, they do occur. In 2016, the Dutch King Willem-Alexander and Queen Máxima visited Perth, Canberra, Sydney and Brisbane as the guest of then Governor-General Peter Cosgrove.

A government spokesperson said: "Denmark and Australia are great friends. King Frederick and Queen Mary will always be welcome to visit Australia."

The royal couple could be embarking on several trips in their first 12 months on the throne.

Visits to the Danish territories of Greenland and the Faroe Islands are virtual certainties, while Scotland has already made an unofficial invitation, because of Queen Mary's Scottish heritage.

"She and Prince Frederik will be hugely welcome in Scotland after his coronation," Scotland's external affairs secretary Angus Robertson was recently quoted as saying.

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Bureau of Meteorology issues severe weather warning for Top End

Hold on to your bucket hats

Zizi Averill

"Buckets" of rain and damaging winds of up to 90km/h are expected to lash the Top End as a monsoonal squall blows in from the west.

The Bureau of Meteorology has issued severe weather warnings for most of the Territory's coastal areas, with conditions likely to worsen through the week.

On Sunday, senior meteorologist Sally Cutter said wet and windy conditions were expected right across the Top End, with flood advice warnings already issued for Territorians in North Western Rivers, Bonaparte and western parts of Carpentaria regions.

"We've got a monsoon low down around near Wadeye at the moment. It's slow moving, but it's deepening," Ms Cutter said.

"The pressure's getting lower, which means the winds are picking up around the north of it.

"We're going to see those squally monsoonal showers come through and they may bring some damaging wind gusts."

Ms Cutter said heavy rainfall may result in flash flooding across northern and western coastal waters, with rainfall totals expected to reach 100-160mm over just six hours on Monday.

The senior meteorologist said some regions had already experienced heavy downpours, with 171mm recorded at Port Keats station, while the Bradshaw Field Training Area near Timber Creek recorded 127mm in the 24 hours to 9am, Sunday.

Ms Cutter said the monsoon was dropping "buckets" of water on the region, with the slow moving system expected to largely sit over the west for the next few days.

"There's a little bit of variation about how east it gets, before it goes south," she said.

Flash flood warnings have already been issued, however Ms Cutter said more prolonged flooding could develop across 13 catchment areas over the next four days.

Secure NT has issued an advice flood warning for residents along the Victoria River below Kalkarindji, Fitzmaurice River, Mary River, Upper Adelaide River and Adelaide River Town, Finniss River, Lower Daly River, Daly River above Douglas River, Katherine River, Moyle River, South Alligator River, Wildman River and Waterhouse River.

While there was no immediate danger to residents, Ms Cutter said everyone should keep an eye on weather warnings in case the situation escalated.

"It really depends on where and exactly how much rain falls as a lot of it is still soaking in," she said.

"We're just not yet seeing the sustained rise that will keep going into the flooding.

"The rivers are going to be coming up ... (but) we won't see any real flooding till mid to late week.

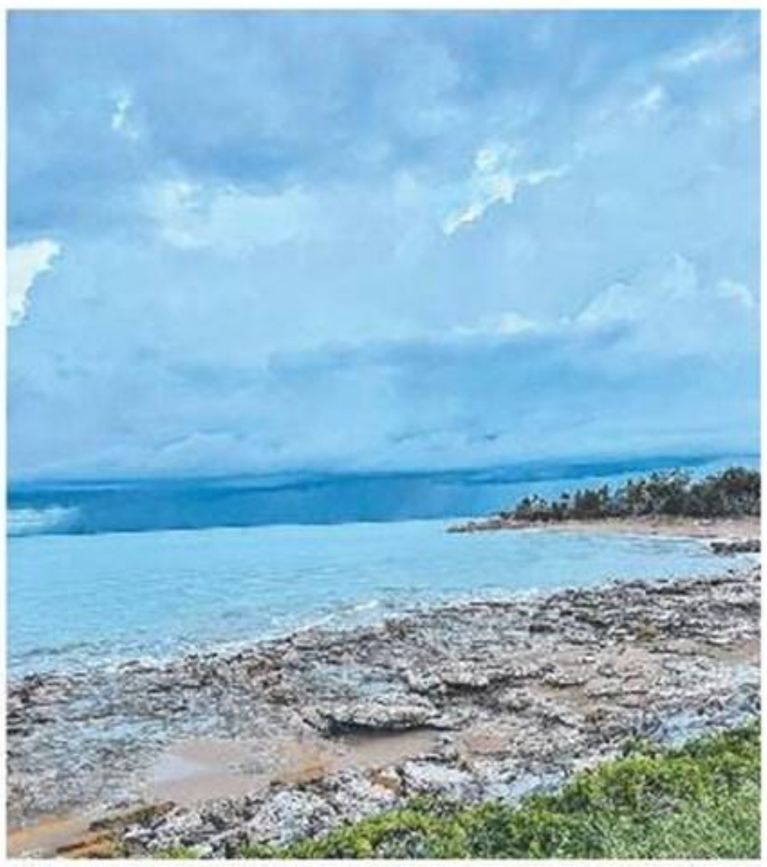
"But we are keeping a very close eye on it."

Last year, monsoonal conditions resulted in 700 people being evacuated from Daguragu, Pigeon Hole and Kalkarindji.

However, Ms Cutter said it was unclear if the current season would cause that level of displacement again.

Wild weather at Nightcliff Jetty; and (inset) Bureau of Meteorology senior meteorologist Sally Cutter. Main picture: Werner Kalin

Rainstorm taken from the Darwin Ski Club boat ramp. Picture: Mary Marshall



Nightcliff ahead of a rainstorm. Picture: Bethany Griffiths

Cairo arts centre razed

CAIRO: Nestled in the heart of historic Cairo, a cultural centre synonymous with the Egyptian capital's art scene has been razed, the latest heritage site torn down for development projects.

Authorities have been aggressively remaking parts of Cairo, a longtime cultural beacon of the Arab world, to expand the capital, home to more than 20 million people.

The government has built roads and bridges to connect new districts and business hubs, a glitzy makeover as Egypt faces a dire economic crisis.

The Darb 1718 centre was demolished "without any prior notice", its management said on social media, for a highway expansion.

For 15 years, the centre – named for bread riots in January 17-18, 1977 – had drawn artists and art lovers.

Taylor Swift

Conspiracy theorists love Swift

WASHINGTON: A US Fox News host has suggested that Taylor Swift is a "front for a covert political agenda," echoing disinformation that has percolated in right-wing circles for months – and which experts say will get worse before the 2024 US election.

The Jesse Watters segment warning Swift could be a "Pentagon asset" offered the latest conspiracy theory exploiting the singer-songwriter's fame and her past support for Democrats such as President Joe Biden. Attacks targeting Swift in recent months have ranged from personal barbs to accusations of witchcraft and speculation about her political involvement.

Swift's stature grew in 2023 as she broke music records, performed the highest-grossing music tour in history and began dating US footballer Travis Kelce. Time Magazine named her Person of the Year.

Fringe influencers such as far-right radio host Stew Peters accused her of witchcraft at concerts and claimed she was "responsible for murder" after Kelce appeared in a vaccine ad. Doctored images shared online falsely linked her to convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, while several conservative commentators have insulted her private life and appearance.

Labor hit by cost of living

The Albanese government's midterm malaise looks to have taken hold as voters continue to shun its handling of the continued cost of living crunch, new polling shows.

Conducted by Sydney-based pollsters Freshwater Strategy, the new electoral survey shows Labor and the Coalition are neck and neck in the two party preferred stakes at 50 per cent each.

Since the 2022 election, Labor has shed two points while the Coalition has risen by five points, the polling finds.

In a sign of mounting frustration with the government's strategy, just over half of all voters surveyed believe the country is headed in the wrong direction.

Anthony Albanese

The poll indicated that even as 74 per cent of voters identified cost of living pressures as their most pressing issue, 80 per cent say the Albanese government has failed to address the issue.

Household budgets have come under increased strain since early 2022 as soaring inflation sends real incomes in reverse and the Reserve Bank's aggressive round of interest rate hikes strains borrower's ability to meet mortgage repayments.

But as the government doubles down on its green energy strategy, voters are overwhelmingly sceptical of its ability to deliver on its promise to cut household power bills by $275 a year in 2025, when compared with prices before the 2022 election.

The poll found 43 per cent of Labor supporters, 61 per cent of the Greens supporters, and 81 per cent of Coalition supporters didn't expect Energy Minister Chris Bowen to deliver on this commitment.

The scepticism comes despite the Bureau of Statistics reporting that the government's interventions to take the edge of higher power prices have helped keep household costs lower.

The PM can find some solace in the polling data, however, with Mr Albanese (47 per cent) maintaining a lead over Opposition Leader Peter Dutton (38 per cent) on the preferred prime minister measure.

Smoking out the crims

Government's $188m boost to stop illegal tobacco imports

Jack Quail

A major crackdown to stem the illicit tobacco trade will be launched by the Albanese government to target the smuggling and sale of illegally imported cigarettes,

On Sunday, Treasurer Jim Chalmers announced a $188.5m boost deliver a new compliance program over the next four years, to tackle all aspects of the illicit tobacco trade.

Led by the Australian Border Force (ABF), in partnership with Commonwealth, state and territory governments, the funding will assist with targeting and disrupting illicit tobacco in source and transit countries before it reaches Australia.

Consumers can illegally purchase illicit cigarettes for as little as $20 for a pack of 20 at some vape stores, while at legal outlets, a similar product would cost roughly $50.

Under the new funding, the ABF will also introduce technological improvements, including artificial intelligence, to enhance the detection and disruption of illicit tobacco.

By official estimates, the forgone revenue to government coffers of the illicit activity is in excess of $3bn a year.

In 2024, authorities seized 1.7bn illegally imported cigarettes and almost 900 tonnes of loose leaf or "chop chop" tobacco products.

Dr Chalmers said the crackdown was intended to deter the consumption and distribution of illegal tobacco, and send a clear message to traffickers that their trade was a "serious crime".

"Illegal tobacco is more than a problem for the budget, it's a health challenge and it's a challenge to our border security," Dr Chalmers said.

"This new model strengthens our existing efforts by working in partnership with the states and territories and building on the Albanese government's tobacco excise package."

ABF head Michael Outram said his agency was committed to a hard-line stance on the illicit tobacco trade.

"We know illicit tobacco trade is systematically tied to serious and organised criminal groups, and we will work hand-in-hand with domestic and international partners to disrupt their activities," he said.

Authorities have blamed the illicit trade of tobacco as the reason behind a spate of tobacco store fire bombings in recent months, as rival syndicates vie for greater control of the lucrative market, which is then used to fund other illegal activities.

Health Minister Mark Butler said limiting illicit tobacco products was key to reducing the number of smokers.

"We cannot stand by and allow another generation of people to be lured into addiction and suffer the enormous health, economic and social consequences," he said.

Deputy opposition leader David Littleproud welcomed the measure but implored the government to increase regulation at the point of sale.

Kathleen Murry, of Sandford, outside of Hobart, stands on her award-winning lawn, now known as the 'world's ugliest lawn'. Picture: Supplied

Tassie home to 'world's ugliest lawn'

Jessica Wang

The accolade for the World's Ugliest Lawn has been awarded to a Tasmanian resident in a bizarre Swedish competition.

Dirt-ridden, pockmarked and dry, Kathleen Murray's garden took out the top prize, winning her a second-hand brown T-shirt donated by the 2023 winner which reads: "Proud owner of The World's Ugliest Lawn".

The competition, which began as a regional challenge in Sweden's Gotland island, aims to highlight the importance of water conservation, and stands against wasting water on keeping lawns lush and green.

The Sandford area, south-east of Hobart, is regularly hit by drought and water supply issues as its geography makes it difficult for the country to store groundwater.

Speaking to the ABC, Ms Murray said her entry was helped by three wild bandicoots who've taken over her property, decimating the greenery.

"I call them my wildlife of mass destruction, my WMDs," she said.

"I used to think they'd invaded my lawn but then I realised they'd actually liberated me from ever having to mow it ever again."

Get 'fun parts' tested

Tinder and Grindr will be used as part of a fresh push to encourage Aussies to get their "fun parts" tested amid a concerning rise in sexually transmitted diseases.

Health Minister Mark Butler launched the Beforeplay campaign on Sunday in a bid to encourage young Aussies to take their sexual health seriously. "One in six Australians will get an STI (sexually transmitted infection) and the rates of infection are rising, particularly among young people aged 20 to 34," he said. He said the nine-week campaign would help reduce the stigma around testing and prevention.

It will be rolled out on social media, dating apps, around universities and in bars and clubs. It will encourage Aussies to wear protection and book a check-up.

Succession's Sarah Snook

Emmy hopes for Aussie stars

Angie Raphael

Aussie television stars Sarah Snook and Elizabeth Debicki will be hoping to add Emmy Awards to their recent Golden Globe wins for Succession and The Crown, respectively, but both are facing stiff competition.

Snook is nominated for outstanding lead actress in a drama series for her celebrated performance in the critically acclaimed drama Succession.

She is competing against New Zealand actor Melanie Lynskey (Yellowjackets), Bella Ramsey (The Last of Us), Elisabeth Moss (The Handmaid's Tale), Sharon Horgan (Bad Sisters) and Keri Russell (The Diplomat).

Debicki won a Golden Globe for a supporting role on television in The Crown where she played the late Princess Diana. Her Emmy nomination is also for supporting actress in a drama series.

The first-time nominee faces competition from The White Lotus actresses Jennifer Coolidge, Meghann Fahy, Sabrina Impacciatore, Aubrey Plaza and Simona Tabasco, as well as Rhea Seehorn (Better Call Saul) and J. Smith-Cameron (Succession).

The 75th annual Emmy Awards will take place on Tuesday Australian time.

Hamas 'targets' Europe

Mossad foils plot to attack Israeli embassy in Sweden

TEL AVIV: A Hamas terror plot targeting Israel's embassy in Sweden and Jewish sites in Europe has been thwarted by Israeli intelligence agencies Mossad and Shin Bet, according to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The network, allegedly orchestrated by Hamas commanders in Lebanon, had plans for more attacks in Europe, involving the acquisition of drones and collaboration with European criminal organisations, Israel said.

:"Israel had discovered details on theatres of operation, terror targets, and on those involved in carrying out attacks

Benjamin Netanyahu

— from Hamas commanders in Lebanon to the last of the attackers in the operational infrastructure," Mr Netanyahu's office said in a statement.

This revelation follows a series of uncovered plots in Europe in recent weeks.

In December, European authorities arrested Hamas cells in Denmark, Germany, and Holland, suspecting their involvement in plotting attacks on Jewish targets.

Danish police found seven individuals linked to a foiled terror attack in December had Hamas connections, confirming Mr Netanyahu's assertion about Hamas expanding its operations into Europe.

"The alleged connection to Hamas confirms that the threat against Denmark is serious, but luckily we have a strong police and intelligence service doing their best to protect us every day," Danish Justice Minister Peter Hummelgaard said.

Meanwhile, Mr Netanyahu doubled down on his vows to defeat Hamas, as the UN marked the 100th day of the war, saying it was "staining humanity".

"The massive death, destruction, displacement, hunger, loss and grief of the last 100 days are staining our shared humanity," the head of the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, Philippe Lazzarini, said in the Gaza Strip.

And the International Court of Justice in The Hague last week heard arguments in a case launched by South Africa accusing Israel of breaching the UN Genocide Convention.

But Mr Netanyahu insisted no court or military foe could stop Israel from destroying Hamas.

"No one will stop us – not The Hague, not the Axis of Evil and no one else," he said.

"It is possible and necessary to continue until victory, and we will do it," he said, claiming most Hamas battalions in Gaza had been "eliminated".

Health officials in Gaza said recent Israeli strikes killed at least 60 people, while Israel said it struck dozens of rocket launchers that were "ready to be used" in central Gaza.

US sends 'message' to Iran on Houthis

SANAA: The US launched fresh strikes against Houthi rebels in Yemen as President Joe Biden said he had delivered a "private message" to Iran about its links to the group.

The strikes came a day after US and British forces hit scores of targets in Yemen, heightening fears that Israel's war with Palestinian Hamas militants could engulf the region.

The Houthis, who say they are acting in solidarity with Gaza, have carried out missile and drone attacks on what they deem Israeli-linked shipping on the key Red Sea trade route.

Joe Biden

Iran is suspected of supplying the Houthis with weapons and intelligence, but Tehran denies involvement. Nevertheless, Mr Biden said his government had given Iran a message.

"We delivered it privately and we're confident we're well-prepared," he said.

US Central Command said its forces attacked a Houthi radar site early on Saturday as "a follow-on action" related to the previous day's strikes.

A Houthi-allied military source said a site on the outskirts of the Red Sea port city of Hodeida which the rebels used to launch a rocket was hit.

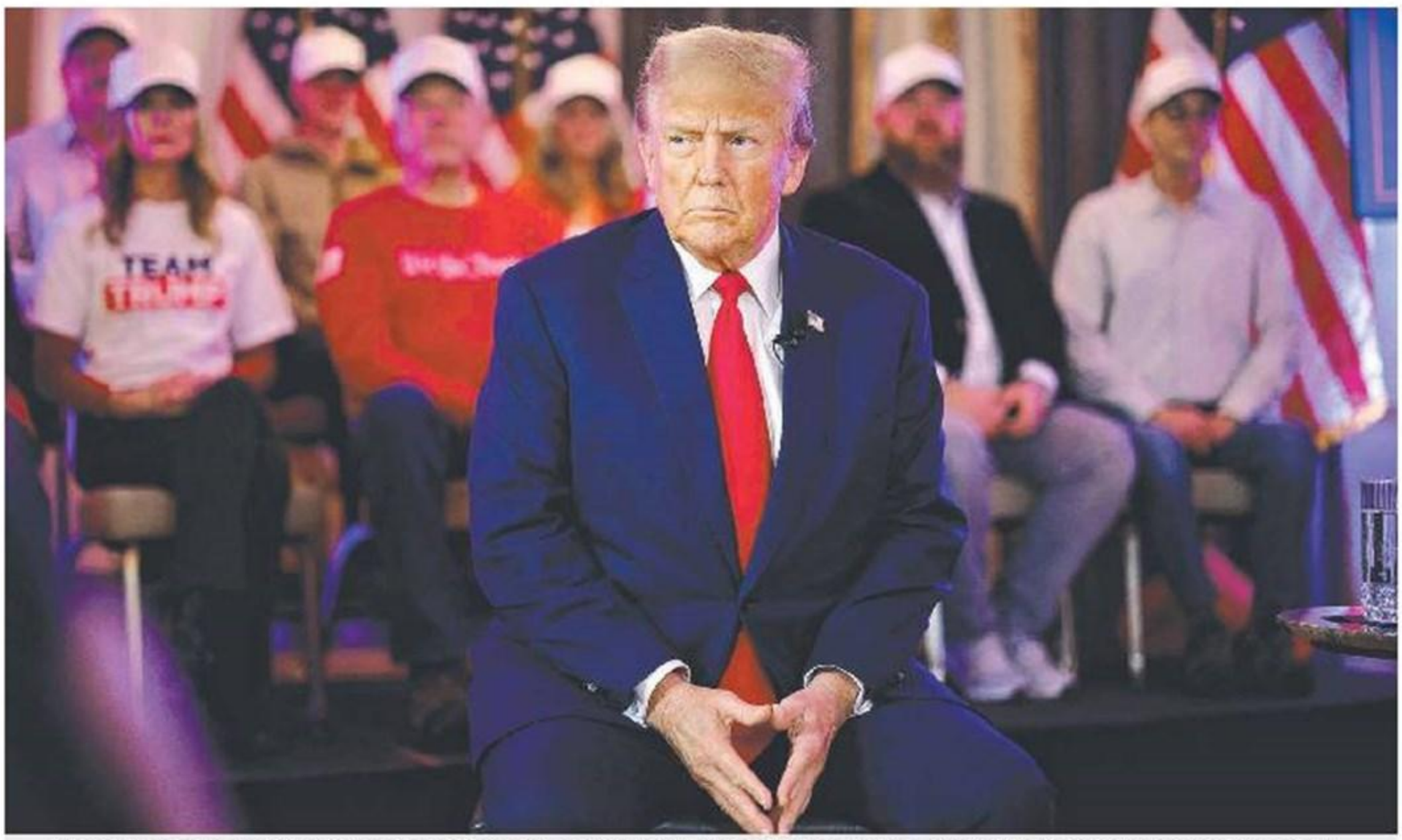
The Houthis' official media earlier said Al-Dailami airbase in Yemen's rebel-held capital Sanaa had been struck in the latest bombardment.

Rebel forces in north Sanaa had shut the area around the airbase and only residents with permits from neighbourhood chiefs were allowed to enter.

UN special envoy for Yemen Hans Grundberg urged "all involved" to avoid actions that would endanger maritime trade and "fuel regional tensions at this critical time".

Mr Grundberg noted "with serious concern" the impact of the "increasingly precarious regional context" on Yemen and called for diplomacy to be prioritised.

Britain, the United States and eight allies - including Australia - said strikes on Friday aimed to "de-escalate tensions", but the Huthis vowed to continue their attacks.



Sub-zero temperatures and blizzards forced Donald Trump into an indoor 'telerally' in Des Moines as the Iowa caucuses kick off the US election year. Picture: Getty

Election heats up in frigid Iowa caucuses

DES MOINES: Voters will venture into sub-zero temperatures on Monday to kick off the Republican presidential nomination race with the Iowa caucuses, the first major test of whether runaway front-runner Donald Trump is as much of a sure thing as he appears.

With a commanding lead in polls, the ex-president is expected easily to win the Midwestern state's first-in-the-nation vote as he bids to be the Republican standard-bearer against President Joe Biden in November.

But Iowans may have to contend with the coldest conditions in the modern era of presidential election campaigns, with blizzards and a potential wind chill of minus 32 degrees.

Trump and his leading rivals, Nikki Haley and Ron DeSantis, were forced to cancel appearances because of the weather as the threat to the turnout added intrigue to the campaign.

Despite his poll strength, Trump's multiple legal cases still hang over him.

"If DeSantis's massive ground effort, coupled with a recent Haley surge, can drag Trump under 50 percent by several points, that will be the first meaningful sign that Trump can be defeated," said political analyst Alex Avetoom.

Buried alive in landslide

BOGOTA: At least 33 people have been killed in landslides in Colombia, including many who had taken shelter in a house after the road they were travelling on was cut off.

"I deeply regret the death of 33 people in this tragedy, mostly children, according to preliminary reports," vice president Francia Marquez wrote on social media.

Firefighters, soldiers and local residents slogged through deep mud and debris in hopes of finding survivors, while relatives stood nearby.

Many travellers had left their cars to take shelter in a house near the municipality of Carmen de Atrato.

"But unfortunately, a landslide came and buried them," said a local official.

Images on social media showed part of a mountain breaking loose and crashing down onto a line of cars.

Soldiers patrol Ecuador's streets

Hostages freed as chaos reigns

QUITO: More than 40 Ecuador prison officials taken hostage by inmates have been freed, as the country grapples with a brutal campaign of gang terror.

The 24 guards and 17 administrative employees had been released, the SNAI prisons agency said, while 133 guards and three employees continue to be held hostage.

The workers were taken captive after President Daniel Noboa last week launched a military takedown of criminal groups, sparking a deadly confrontation with narco gangs.

The crisis was triggered by the escape from Guayaquil prison of one of the country's most powerful narco bosses, Jose Adolfo Macias, followed by prison riots, hostage-taking and attacks on police.

At least 19 people have died in the violence, including a guard killed on Saturday in clashes with inmates in El Oro near the border with Peru.

According to the latest official report, 859 suspects have been arrested, 25 escaped detainees have been recaptured, five "terrorists" shot dead and 57 kidnapped people have been released.

A chilling video filmed in Machala prison shows the corpse of a prisoner wrapped in plastic thrown into the street from inside the jail.

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Ram raids

Senseless acts that need to stop before more businesses shut up shop and leave

Another week, another business broken into, or at least attempted to be broken into.

For Nightcliff Friendly Grocer owners, the scene they found outside their shop on Thursday morning was one of a close call for their business.

A flat tyre and smashed front bumper showed evidence of a failed attempt at breaking in.

"I think they've got the calculation wrong on how big the gutter was. We're pretty lucky nothing was damaged," manager Ben Feick said.

While it was a close call this time, Mr Feick said they were lucky it wasn't attempted with a bigger vehicle that could have smashed into the front of the shop.

Many other NT businesses have suffered a similar fate.

Ram raids are a common theme in the morning update with watch commanders in both the Top End and Red Centre.

At the start of the year a group of youths allegedly used a stolen ute to smash their way into a camping store before stealing dozens of dangerous weapons.

And most Darwin City-dwelling locals would remember the scenes of chaos after central business Attitude for Men was smashed into in May.

Passers-by would recall the stunning glass facade of that shop that left it vulnerable to opportunistic criminals.

"Darwin deserves to have beautiful shops," owner Darlene Chin said at the time. "We can't just shutter and board everything."

And there are so many more that don't grab the headlines but deserve to be acknowledged.

It's not fair on these Territory business owners.

Often the damage is so serious they are forced to close up their business for hours or days as they attempt to make it safe and protect it from similar situations occurring again.

They are senseless acts that cost businesses greatly, in both repairing the damage and often from stock they lose in the incidents.

And it's no wonder some owners are deciding to sell up and move when it happens to them.

Thankfully in the latest iteration it was just an attempt, but this behaviour needs to stop completely so the NT can have a thriving business community.

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Super Snaps Ivorian supporters parade down the street in Korhogo, northern Ivory Coast during the 2024 Africa Cup of Nations (CAN). Picture: FADEL SENNA / AFP

Your Say

Chaotic squawking

Recently I read a letter in the News of someone complaining about noise from corellas, then another person saying the corellas should be left alone as they were native to the country.

Yet another person mentioned that, noise-wise, the gouldian finch was much more of a problem than the corellas.

These birds are nothing compared to the corellas' cousins the pink feathered galahs. Galahs are much worse than the cane toad or gamba grass as an invasive species because they have managed to make their way into parliament.

Any day you observe the sittings in parliament you will hear a galah flapping screeching and squawking uncontrollably. Then other galahs join in, resulting complete chaos. I must now go and hide, as I can hear screeching and squawking galahs after my tail feathers.

Allan

No punishment

I always thought that governments were elected to govern, but the inept mob here have given new meaning to the words "absolutely and utterly useless".

No one would think it would be possible for a group of people to completely ignore what the police and the media report daily.

Why are our prisons overflowing?

Why is crime escalating?

Why are our police resigning?

What action is our government instigating?

It's solely because our criminals are not being punished to deter them.

I fully realise that Australia was settled by convicts and they all did the hard and hot work of clearing the land and cultivating it to grow food.

The progeny of these settlers are among us today, some are in politics, many are in the justice system as judges and lawyers, but is this the reason why they do not wish to punish criminals because they are in a direct line to their convicted forefathers?

Andrew Blair, Fannie Bay

Give convicts back

I was very much amused by a reader's suggestion to put prisoners on boats in Darwin Harbour. We should go one step further and sail the ships, with prisoners onboard to England and moor them in the Thames.

They gave us their convicts ... we simply give them back.

Kevin Quigley

Social Seen

The best comments made by NT News readers posted across our social media platforms

POLICE UNION CALLS ON MINISTER TO FORCE JUDGES' HANDS ON ASSAULTS

Beth, I respect your position but what you are saying is that it's basically OK to assault people and not expect to be locked up, that is wrong, especially when it relates to our frontline workers. You are in a position to influence positive decisions to bring the Territory out of the crime spiral we are in, please do so.

Jerry

Lawyers opposed to it? Wow what a surprise. Maybe starting now, lawyers can explain to their clients that it may be a possibility, so don't do it.

Ray

Again some muppet minister talking about "unacceptable" without the common sense or community obligation to do something about it. Waste of space talking heads.

Alan

It's worked before and it will work again. All workers should be protected, retail staff seem to be copping it, nurses, ambos, you name it.

Spilt Milk

Punishment as a deterrent seems to be very effective in other countries.

Jennifer

'PLEASE SUPPORT US': LOCALS SHARE SOLUTIONS FOR ALICE SPRINGS ISSUE

Education has to take precedence over everything else of there is to be any hope at all if breaking this cycle. If that means that children have to be removed from parents who won't or can't ensure their attendance at school then so be it. That can be a colour blind policy.

Andrew

The sad part is, year after year and decade after decade we hear the same drivel. We need to get the kids to school, need greater youth activities in town and need better rehabilitation paths in our prisons. But nothing ever happens, just more talk rehashing the same rubbish when the media and public scrutiny becomes too politically embarrassing.

Peter

Time for federal and NT Labor Governments to go. They have been such a failure in addressing the issues. Let's give the CLP a go to see if they can improve things. Where have all the funds gone and when will there be accountability for these Aboriginal organisations receiving the millions but not actually doing anything.

Territorian

Everywhere in the NT drift into towns has destroyed lives and property. Alcohol bans don't cure alcoholics. changing takeaway hours just means more drunks hanging around pubs.

Phillip

I disagree with the whole 'white people telling us what do' reference. Laws are colour blind. Smashing a window and entering a premises is against the law no matter your genetic history. Teaching your children that someone else's property is not there for them to take is the beginning of a more civilised society. Period.

Steve

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What do Europeans know about trusty Aussie ute?

Vikki Campion

I tried to buy a ute yesterday. Not just any ute, but a ute that meets the new European standards Climate Change Minister Chris Bowen snuck in three days before Christmas.

We are told how fabulous they are on paper, so I was keen to actually give one a run around the farm.

The sales girl ran through her nationwide database and said: "I am really sorry, but currently, I am unable to suggest any models that qualify for Euro 6D standards."

So I went down to my local regional car dealership and asked them if any of them had even seen one of these wonderful utes that we are told meet Euro 6D standards at any road shows or events, and not one of them had.

"Don't sweat it," the dealer told me. "We will all be driving EVs."

And then he laughed and laughed at his own joke.

We don't have a single ute that qualifies for Euro 6D on the Australian market right now – and phasing in over next year, that's all we will eventually be allowed to buy brand new.

Rather than letting the market have a look at these new utes before the new regulations are enforced, they are telling us to buy a vehicle that nobody has even been able to take for a test drive.

Just have a look at the specs.

The Euro 6D standard equivalent of one of Australia's best-selling vehicles, the Toyota HiLux, that is sold in the UK has a 2.4-litre engine. That's about half the capacity of the Toyota LandCruiser we use to spray weeds on the farm at the moment.

That engine is just dandy on a sealed road in the middle of the city but will it be enough when you have weight on the back and need to go up a rough track uphill?

We will be forced into far less powerful vehicles thanks to Bowen and Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, who between the two of them wouldn't know how to change a spark plug.

For farmers, plumbers, builders, couriers and delivery people, the work vehicle is an appendage of the body. If you can't move it, lift it, carry it, or pull it out, the ute will – or once would. After 2025, buying a new ute that can carry tools and half a tonne of concrete up a hill will start to become a distant memory.

While Albanese's ministry has begun each day this week earnestly talking about the soaring cost of living, a few days before Christmas they dropped in the sneaky regulation to ostensibly save the planet that will make vehicles, fuel and services even more expensive.

Consultation with motorists ran for less than one month in the lead-up to Christmas 2022.

Then, under the cover of Christmas in 2023, it changed the reg to eventually ban the sale of new cars that do not meet specific European 6D standards – all as part of this inane fascination with trying to imitate Europe.

The average size of a farm in Europe is less than 50 acres. Even small farms in Australia are 10 times that size. The average farm in Australia is more than 200 times that size, and the average Australian cropping farm is more than 300 times a European one.

We are nothing like Europe. Not only are our farms vastly bigger, but our terrain is harder to traverse. An electric vehicle that can hurtle around the undulating 50 acres of a European dairy farm will quickly lose its spark running up the steep rocky mountains of Weabonga carrying 500 litres of weed spray.

The trusty Toyota HiLux.

A plumber who starts a day fixing a leak and then needs to cart out half a tonne of asphalt isn't going to get very far without grunt.

Anything that makes their work tools less effective will make your bill to fix the pipe more expensive – or will make them poorer.

In announcing the changes, Mr Bowen claimed European standards would cut 18 million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions.

The federal government ignored the pleas of manufacturers, who argued that newer vehicle technology is incompatible with Australia's current fuel.

Even right-hand drive manufacturers such as Toyota argued the "regulatory system introduced needs to take into consideration the unique conditions of the Australian market, and therefore it is not appropriate to apply the same parameters as used in overseas markets". Such as Europe.

Keep in mind that Australia is 1 per cent of the global car market.

How many manufacturers will make specific right-hand drive utility trucks for us that meet European standards?

ON THIS *day*

69 Roman Emperor Servius Sulpicius Galba, who succeeded Nero in 68AD, is assassinated by the Praetorian Guard in the Roman Forum.

1559 Elizabeth I is crowned Queen of England.

1790 Mutineers aboard the ship HMS Bounty and their Tahitian partners arrive at Pitcairn Island, where they hope to establish a colony.

1797 James Hetherington, a London haberdasher, is fined for wearing his newest creation, the top hat.

1834 A mutiny on Norfolk Island by 162 convicts, is put down by the captain of the guard, Foster Fyans. Two convicts are killed, seven are fatally injured and another 13 will hang.

1894 Australia's first steel rolling mill opens at the Eskbank Ironworks, near Lithgow.

1922 The Irish Free State is established under Michael Collins.

1943 The Pentagon is completed in Washington.

1967 The Rolling Stones appear on The Ed Sullivan Show on US TV network CBS. CBS critics don't like words to the song, Let's Spend the Night Together, so order the group to change the words to Let's Spend Some Time Together.

2001 Wikipedia, a free internet-based encyclopaedia that operates under an open-source management style, debuts. It was founded by Jimmy Wales and Larry Sanger.

2008 Sea Shepherd activists Giles Lane and Benjamin Potts are detained on Japanese whaling vessel Yashin Maru No 2 after jumping aboard in protest against whaling in the Southern Ocean.

2009 US Airways flight 1549, piloted by Captain Chesley ("Sully") Sullenberger III, lands in the Hudson River (above) after the plane flew into a flock of Canada geese shortly after takeoff, resulting in severe damage to the plane's engines. There were no fatalities.

My long summer break was truly frightful

Amber Petty

As Australia slowly emerges from its longer-than-any-country summer break, many of us have potentially spent a shameful amount of time horizontal, watching movies.

And, like me, you might have discovered there's a hell of a lot of disturbing content that's likely to keep you awake at night, well after the credits have rolled.

For a nation like ours, known for being laid-back, outdoorsy, good at kicking balls and swimming for gold medals, we're also world-class at being very, very creepy.

Growing up as a kid in the 1970s and '80s, I vowed never to visit America.

My calculations came after watching the likes of Evil Dead, The Exorcist, and The Amityville Horror, which led me to believe there were too many old houses, and most of them had latchkey demons that could turn up at any second.

And no matter how many Catholic priests you had on speed dial, things ended badly.

Holidaying this summer with friends, and a gaggle of kids, I was lured into the TV room on more than one occasion.

Mostly it was through curiosity, occasionally by invitation, because I like to think I'm 'that' aunty.

Perched on the sliver of sofa left unoccupied – the kids cling to each other like larvae – I was given a tutorial on the whole horror movie genre.

Despite staying true to my long-held "no demon" policy, what held me in the dark (knowing I'd pay dearly later) was my amazement at how artistically advanced these films are these days.

And, more so, how many Aussies have infiltrated this once US-dominated genre.

While I've been navigating adulthood, albeit still as 'that' aunty, Australia has been giving the effortlessly psychotic Americans a run for their money – from Insidious (2010), directed by James Wan with characters written by Leigh Whannell, starring Rose Byrne and Angus Sampson, to Babadook (2014), written and directed by Jennifer Kent, starring Essie Davis.

And the kids' favourite was Talk to Me (2022), written by Danny Philippou and Bill Hinzman, and starring Miranda Otto and Sophie Wilde.

We've come a long way since Lara Bingle famously looked down the barrel of the camera, and asked the world, "So where the bloody hell are you?"

If you've just spent the summer watching the above, the answer might well be "under the bloody bed" or "moving to Fiji".

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Andrew Bolt

> "Woolworths made the politics very clear by lecturing customers who complained

Woke bullies have very short shelf life

Woolworths is a perfect example of the woke corporate bully – and a hypocrite – so how good to see it getting the slap it so richly deserves.

And how refreshing to have a Liberal Opposition leader again with the courage to fight these culture wars, with Peter Dutton urging customers to shop somewhere more patriotic, like Coles.

The important thing to know about Woolworths' ban on selling Australia Day merchandise is that it's political. It's political in that dictatorial and destructive way that's turning Australia into a nation of warring tribes.

Woolworths made the politics very clear by lecturing customers who complained: "We recognise the national holiday, but also respect that Australia Day means different things to different parts of the community and want to show respect to all who come into our stores."

That sentence is so plainly stupid, illogical and false that you wonder how Woolies manages to think clearly enough to stay in businesses. Other than by putting the squeeze on farmers, I mean.

Yes, Australia Day does mean "different things to different people", but Woolworths is showing no respect to those customers who think it's a great day to celebrate a great country, and are shopping for some bunting, or flag-themed napkins or even a bucket hat for their barbie.

Woolworths is just letting an intolerant anti-Australia Day minority stop the rest of its customers from buying the merch they want. It is picking a side – the side of the bullies and dividers.

More importantly, it's once more promoting the tribes of Australia, but not the country that gives them all a common home.

For instance, Woolworths promotes the race-based NAIDOC week – of the National Aborigines' and Islanders' Day Observance Committee – as well as the Muslim Ramadan and Hindu Diwali.

Most infamously, its Big W stores last year played in-store ads promoting Labor's Aboriginal-only Voice to Parliament until so many customers and even staff complained that they had to switch them off. Woolworths also donated $1.55m to the Yes campaign without asking permission from its shareholders before giving away their money – which sounds to me awfully like theft.

Australia Day merchandise, no longer available at your nearest Woolworths.

What's more, Woolworths also sold a book promoting the Voice, co-written by leading Voice campaigner Thomas Mayo.

That strips bare Woolworths' gross hypocrisy, since the Voice also meant "different things to different people". In fact, 60 per cent of Australians – almost certainly including 60 per cent of Woolworths' shoppers – thought the Voice was racist and a menace and voted against it, yet Woolies never banned the sale of this Voice-themed book of propaganda.

No, Woolies stuffed its race politics down the throats of customers who hated it, and now bans Australia Day merchandise for customers who like it.

Like I said, it's political, and part of a sickness of our elites. It's suicidal to disrespect what unites us, while celebrating what divides. That's how things fall apart. I hope it also now costs Woolworths customers.

So who is driving this?

Many business leaders and board members are of a woke tribe themselves, both to prove they're not just greedy capitalists and because being woke spares them from having to think for themselves. It's also dangerous not to be woke because social media warriors could rip into them and cost them nice board jobs with government agencies and "progressive" corporates like Qantas.

Sure, maybe Woolworths is different, and actually filled with rugged free-thinking individualists. That said, on its board is Holly Kramer, for instance, who is also a director of the Goodes-O'Loughlin Foundation set up by activist ex-footballers Adam Goodes and Michael O'Loughlin, who identify as Aboriginal.

Goodes campaigned for the Voice and is also on Woolworths' First Nations Advisory Board, which advises the supermarket giant on "reconciliation" but seems instead to be fostering division. Most of its members identify as Aboriginal even though they also have white ancestry.

Why is Woolworths so keen on dividing people by race? Why does this overgrown grocer push a race politics that inevitably divides us, and push it so hard that it bans customers from buying merchandise celebrating this country's national day?

Here again is one of our biggest companies playing the bully and setting people against each other. It's also showing disrespect to our nation.

So, yes, boycott Woolies. Go instead to IGA or to Coles, which still sells Australia Day stuff. Here is one way that even the humblest shopper can teach an arrogant corporate giant a sharp and necessary lesson in freedom and in loyalty.

We stood firm, 16 strong!

The Albanese government is making us look not just helpless but embarrassing. Check the humiliating boast on Friday by Defence Minister Richard Marles.

Marles announced Australia had "supported" the "very important" military strikes on Yemen's Houthi Islamist rebels, who'd been firing missiles and attack drones at ships in the Red Sea, gateway to the Suez Canal, to punish Israel.

But how had we "supported" these strikes on 60 targets by US and British warships, submarines and fighter jets?

After all, this government couldn't send even one ship when the US asked last month for help protecting this critical shipping lane. We didn't have the sailors, it seems, or weapons to shoot down the Houthi's drones.

So what was our "support"? Well, said Marles, Australia had "personnel in the operational headquarters". Which means some of the 16 – just 16 – people the government could spare for this "very important" mission were sitting behind a computer.

Wow. Hope China, with its 370 ships and submarines and its two million-strong army, saw and trembled at our mighty 16.

Unfortunately, this is just the latest example of our frightening weakness as the new axis of evil – China, Russia, North Korea and Iran, which supplies the Houthi – spreads war from Ukraine to the Red Sea.

Look at Ukraine, desperately trying to stop the Russian invaders who are using arms from Iran and North Korea. Our government has turned off the tap of military supplies.

It's also giving Israel – under attack from the Iranian-backed Hamas terrorists – nothing, except criticism. In fact, we're now so toothless that even last week's riots in Papua New Guinea spelled danger for us.

It's not just the threat of refugees. The mobs there burned down some Chinese stores, prompting China to warn PNG to protect any Chinese.

The "or else" wasn't spelled out, but consider the Solomon Islands, within missile range of Brisbane.

When rioters there torched Chinese businesses, China persuaded (bribed?) the government to let China's police be stationed on the islands.

Could PNG, also corrupt, be tempted, too? It can't expect much urgent help in a riot from Australia, anyway. The Albanese government has just scrapped our troop-lift Taipan helicopters for safety reasons, making landing troops trickier.

Thank heavens PNG has so far asked for just one helicopter. We can still manage that. I hope.

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1 12.20 COCA COLA NO SUGAR PLATE EQ1

1100m. $22000. C,H&G Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

	FORM	HORSE (BARRIER)	JOCKEY	WGT	RTG	ODDS
1	4	CALMUNDI (7)	WA Stanley (a1.5)	59	75	$1.00
2	0s332	CANNY PROSPECT (6) (b)	N Heywood	59	100	$1.80
3	2549s	LUSKIN VAIN (8)	Ms C Ings	59	87	$21.00
4	6	PLATINUM WARRIOR (2) (h)	Ms S Ingelse (a2)	59	84	$12.00
5		BYRON'S FARM (5)	B Nock (a1.5)	57.5	77	$21.00
6	2	CHEAP GAS (1)	J Pracey-Holmes	57.5	90	$3.60
7	7s723	HE'S ALL STYLE (3) (h)	C Gallagher	57.5	95	$3.60
8	6	PARTYGATE (4)	Scratched	57.5		–

CANNY PROSPECT 1, He's All Style 2, Cheap Gas 3, Calmundi 4

2 12.55 BARASTOC RACE N WIN PLATE EQ2

1100m. $27,000. F&M Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

1	0569s	CAMP COVE (4) (h)	M Stapleford (a3)	58	91	$19.00
2	0s089	KERNIE GAL (8)	K Dunbar	58	78	$101.00
3	8s520	PAINITE (7)	A Cavallo	58	87	$11.00
4	04204	SALLISTA (3)		58	88	$16.00
5	68s33	TAKEN FOR GRANTED (11)	Scratched	58		–
6	47s2	CHOICE WITNESS (5) (b)	C Vitler (a2)	56.5	100	$1.65
7	9	DERVINIA (12) (h)	R Simpson (a)	56.5	81	$18.00
8		DON'T TELL TARA (1) (h)	Ms K Bell-Pitsmac	56.5	79	$21.00
9	0	FLASH DANDINO (10) (h)	M Heagney	56.5	78	$101.00
10	60s9	FLYING NINA (2)	M A Cahill	56.5	78	$31.00
11		GRAND OYSTER (9) (h)	Ms A Cooper (a3)	56.5	85	$7.50
12		VERENDY (6)	B Nock (a1.5)	56.5	94	$5.50

SALLISTA 1, Choice Witness 2, Verendy 3, Painite 4

3 1.30 DESSPOSOLUTIONS EQ3

1400m. $30,000. Maiden. Apprentices can claim.

1	24s52	MEDINAH (2) (b)		59	97	$2.60
2	00s7	TAKE IT ON THE RUN (10) (h)	R Simpson (a)	56.5	76	$81.00
3	36825	DALANTE (11) (h)	M Heagney	55.5	90	$41.00
4	6	DANCES WITH HOOVES (4) (b)	M A Cahill	55.5	94	$4.00
5	8s455	FREE WHEELER (1)	C Vitler (a2)	55.5	98	$5.00
6	9s507	LAIS VAS (12) (h)	M Stapleford (a3)	55.5	87	$21.00
7	74	MISSION MUMMABEAR (3) (h)	C Gallagher	55.5	91	$10.00
8	04724	SENSEI JACKIE (7) (h)	J Pracey-Holmes	55.5	97	$13.00
9	6s80	SWEET BREEZE (5) (h)	Ms K Bell-Pitsmac	55.5	73	$151.00
10	54s73	THE GIT UP (6)	B Nock (a1.5)	55.5	100	$10.00
11	36988	THE PERCENTAGE (8)	J Rogers	55.5	83	$81.00
12	63743	UNDER ACHIEVER (9)	A Cavallo	55.5	94	$10.00

MEDINAH 1, Freewheeler 2, The Git Up 3, Dances With Hooves 4

4 2.10 MAASMILE PLATE EQ4 Q1

1600m. $22000. Class 1/Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

1	4s067	AUSSIE PHAROAH (3) (dtoa)	B Looker	59	90	$41.00
2	s5624	GIRRAGULANG (5)	Ms C Hiller (a1.5)	59	89	$26.00
3	4s534	HALLOWED STAR (14) (h)	R Simpson (a)	59	100	$4.00
4	35137	I AM CONVINCING (4) (w)	M Stapleford (a3)	59	90	$13.00
5	45324	KARAOKE KING (12) (whb)		59	96	$9.50
6	s1s99	SHADOW SHOT (3)	C Gallagher	59	81	$61.00
7	67015	SNITCH'N'SNATCHING (13) (dw)	S Lisnyy	59	91	$21.00
8	147s8	ZOUCAN TOUCAN (11)	B Nock (a1.5)	59	86	$51.00
9	4s216	ROTHGATE (7) (hb)	M A Cahill	57.5	97	$3.80
10	43410	DHYANI (10) (d)	J Barrie (a2)	57	97	$19.00
11	8s64	THUNDERBOLTER (9)	N Heywood	56.5	88	$21.00
12	746s1	ERELLE (2)	C Vitler (a2)	55.5	93	$3.40
13	39s36	MRS BULL (1) (h)	Ms G Mc Donnell	55	95	$15.00
14	09	TWENTY FOUR GUNS (6)		55	79	$81.00

ERELLE 1, Hallowed Star 2, Snitch'n'snatching 3, Karaoke King 4

AUSSIE PHAROAH (M D Griffith) 4G By American Pharoah (USA) - Lisson Grove (10.1-1-1): Checked near 800m when 5 len 6th of 10 (5) $81.00 57.0 Bangetta 1400m Scone Hcp (C1) Good(4) Dec 19. Battled away for 13-3/4 len 7th of 7 (3) $15.00 59.0 Four O'clock Knock 1610m Orange (C1) Soft(6) Dec 28. Hasn't been attacking the line lately. Can't have.

GIRRAGULANG (Derek Piper) 5G By Divine Prophet - Too Much Champagne (2.0.1-5-3): Laid out near turn when 3-3/4 len 2nd of 7 (3) $9.00 56.0 Redford 1410m Orange Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 11. Beaten but not disgraced when 10 len 4th of 7 (7) $16.00 59.0 Four O'clock Knock 1610m Orange (C1) Soft(6) Dec 28. On the speed but ran out of petrol quickly at Orange last time out. Has claims.

HALLOWED STAR (C Lundholm) 4G By Hallowed Crown - Star Of Minerva (10.1-0-2): Struck interference at start, Struck interference near 100m when shf hd, 1-3/4 len 3rd of 12 (5) $5.00 57.5 Owhata Crumpet 1300m Narromine (Bm58) Good(3) Dec 5. Fair effort in 2 len 4th of 11 (7) $4.60 59.0 Magnetric 1200m Wagga Riverside (Bm68) Good(3) Dec 22. Freshened. Due for a win. Far from disgraced at Wagga Riverside at latest. Up in distance now. Looks one of the main chances.

I AM CONVINCING (S I Singleton) 6G By I Am Invincible - Consulting (14.1-1-3): Got home nicely to run 1/2 len, 3/4 len 3rd of 9 (3) $16.00 55.0 Madeay 1400m Tamworth Hcp (C2) Soft(5) Dec 24. Beaten but not disgraced when 5-3/4 len 7th of 11 (9) $19.00 54.0 Tapa Kick 1600m Muswellbrook (Bm66) Soft(5) Jan 4. Just battled home in similar company at Muswellbrook last outing. Not out of this.

KARAOKE KING (C Lundholm) 5G By Real Impact (JPN) - Positive Quest (24.1-4-2): Gave good account when 1-1/2 len 2nd of 8 (6) $4.60 57.5 Stockholm 1600m Warren Plate (C1) Good(4) Dec 15. Beaten but not disgraced when 11 len 4th of 11 (11) $3.00 56.0 Edith's Joy 1800m Gilgandra Plate (C1) Good(3) Dec 30. Just behind the placegetters at Gilgandra last start. Consider.

SHADOW SHOT (Brett Thompson) 4G By Dane Shadow - Opera's Aim (4.1-0-0): On return from break finished 5 len 9th of 12 (3) $11.00 61.0 Weave That Web 1400m Warren (Bm60) Good(4) Dec 15. Slowly away when 12 len 9th of 11 (7) $3.00 59.5 Irene Of Athens 1600m Dubbo (Bm60) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Was safely held her last start. No appeal.

SNITCH'N'SNATCHING (Ms T Boyd) 4G By Snitzel - Private Secretary (14.1-0-0): Let down nicely for shf 1/2 hd win of 6 (1) $5.50 58.0 Snitch'n'snatching 1600m Tamworth Mdn Hcp Soft(5) Dec 24. Slowly away when 14-1/4 len 5th of 7 (3) $61.00 59.0 Yarrawonga 2000m Kembla Grange 3yo+ Plate (C1) Heavy(10) Dec 30. Couldn't show a turn of foot in the wet in similar company at Kembla Grange at latest. Needs luck from out there. Back to country level. Among the dangers.

ZOUCAN TOUCAN (Kelly Smith) 4G By Zoustar - Candika (15.1-1-1): Slowly away. Over raced early stages when 8-1/2 len 7th of 9 (6) $13.00 56.0 Epic Poem 1700m Wellington Plate (C1) Soft(6) Jul 31. Slowly away, Keen when 9 len 8th of 10 (5) $41.00 55.0 Awaygoesthebunny 1400m Inverell Hcp (C1) Heavy(10) Jan 1. Lacked a pick up and only plugged to line in the wet at Inverell first -up. Looking elsewhere.

ROTHGATE (Brett Robb) 3G By Rothesay - Concert Image (5.1-1-0): Claimed shf hd win of 12 (12) $1.85 57.5 Rothgate 1300m Narromine Mdn Good(3) Dec 5. Fair effort in 1 len 6th of 11 (5) $4.40 56.5 Mike 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Soft(5) Dec 28. Just behind the placegetters at Orange last outing. One for multiples.

DHYANI (R C Robb) 4M By Savabeel - Yiwahoo (NZ) (11.1-0-1): Landed 1-1/2 len win of 8 (3) $3.10 55.5 Dhyani 1600m Corowa Mdn Good(3) Nov 6. Balanced up midfield when 10 len 12th of 12 (10) $7.50 60.0 Weave That Web 1400m Warren (Bm60) Good(4) Dec 15. Freshened. Was safely held at Warren last outing. Place hope.

THUNDERBOLTER (Cameron Crockett) 4G By Denman - Endear (3.1-0-0-0): Slowly away when 4 len 6th of 12 (8) $15.00 58.0 Rush Attack 1500m Mudgee Super Mdn Soft(7) Dec 1. Eased at start, Keen when 8-3/4 len 4th of 7 (2) $5.50 57.5 Love Rules 2000m Coonamble Plate (C1) Good(3) Dec 17. Freshened. On the speed but ran out of petrol quickly at Coonamble at latest. Prefer others.

ERELLE (B F Cavanough) 3F By Press Statement - Zareyva (4.1-0-0): Hampered at start when 4 len 4th of 8 (3) $9.50 55.0 Rockabilly Rebel 1200m Coffs Harbour 3yo (Open) Good(4) Aug 4. Taken back from wide barrier when 1-1/2 len win of 14 (11) $14.00 53.0 Erelle 1300m Scone Mdn Good(4) Dec 19. Freshened. 2kg claimer engaged. Drawn to receive every chance. Strong claims.

MRS BULL (Connie Greig) 4M By Shooting To Win - Magic Of Dreams (15.0-2-4): Keen when 3/4 len, 1 len 3rd of 7 (2) $7.50 57.0 Go Isla Go 1200m Coonamble Super Mdn Good(3) Dec 12. Kept trying 3 len 6th of 12 (6) $6.00 55.0 Turbo Charged 1280m Gilgandra Super Mdn Good(4) Jan 2. Ran homer especially at Gilgandra last outing. 3kg claimer engaged. Good gate. Has claims.

TWENTY FOUR GUNS (T S Howlett) 3G By U S Navy Flag (USA) - Echeaeaux (NZ) (2.0-0-0): Balanced up midfield when debut 7 len 10th of 14 (9) $31.00 57.5 Erelle 1300m Scone Mdn Good(4) Dec 19. Freshened. Ordinary this level at Scone on debut. Appears tested.

5 2.50 MEDLEY REFRIGERATION & A.C. DD1 Q2

1100m. $22000. Class 1. Apprentices can claim.

1	89s24	DESTINY'S BOUNTY (6) (w)	W A Stanley (a1.5)	61.5	88	$12.00
2	21s	EAGLE DGE (18) (dtcw)	C Gallagher	59	87	$3.90
3	19s	ZAP YAH (13) (dwh)	Ms Z Hunt (a3)	58	85	$9.50
4	7241s	PLENITUDE (9) (dtcwh)	R Simpson (a)	57.5	96	$4.80
5	1s6	DANCEDES (5)	N Heywood	56.5	88	$6.50
6	28174	FANTASY CROWNED (10) (bh)	Ms K Bell-Pitsmac	56.5	87	$34.00
7	56217	SOUTH BULLAWAY (17) (dh)	B Looker	56.5	91	$10.00
8	0327s	SPEUDOSA (7) (tw)	Ms W Peel	56.5	94	$81.00
9	93330	CUMNOCK (8) (dw)	B Nock (a1.5)	56	87	$13.00
10	170	WASTED DAYS (3) (h)	J Pracey-Holmes	56	81	$12.00
11	2985s	PAHANG (1) (wh)	Ms G Mc Donnell	55.5	91	$81.00
12	s7189	INVEST IN LOVE (15) (dh)	M Stapleford (a3)	55	82	$31.00
13	15356	CHELSEA AMANDA (16) (dtc)	Scratched	55		–
14	360s1	MONAZEL (11) (tw)	C Vitler (a2)	55	100	$11.00

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15	4s969	BARCOO RIVER (4)	A Cavallo	55	81	$26.00
16	80368	LADY FRAULEIN (2) (h)	Ms Z Hunt (a3)	55	78	$34.00
17	00s64	PIXIE'S CHOICE (19)		55	86	$81.00
18	75089	SEASONAL SPIRIT (14) (wh)		55	69	$126.00
19	50074	SMART 'N' RITZY (12)		55	80	$126.00

MONAZEL 1, Plenitude 2, South Bullaway 3, Speudosa 4

DESTINY'S BOUNTY (Ms S Jeffries) 5G By Headwater - Pretty Belle (15.1-4-0): Struck interference at start when nk 2nd of 12 (8) $10.00 59.5 Rubi Air 1100m Narromine Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 5. Reasonable effort 0 len 4th of 11 (1) $5.00 60.0 Mike 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Soft(5) Dec 28. Worked home okay under 60kg to finish close to placegetters last start. 1.5kg claimer engaged. Free-running. Can figure.

EAGLE DGE (Lyle Chandler) 4G By Star Turn - Lady Limelight (2.1-1-0): Battled away gamely debut shf hd 2nd of 12 (10) $9.00 59.0 Frosbie 1200m Tamworth Mdn Soft(5) Jun 9. Began awkwardly, Held up on straightening when 1/2 len win of 11 (1) $1.65 59.0 Eagledge 1100m Dubbo Mdn Plate Soft(5) Jun 26. Had the benefit of 6-3/4 len 8th of 10 (6) Burning Crown 1000m Tamworth (Barrier Trial) Soft(5) Dec 24. Resuming. Needs luck from out there. Place.

ZAP YAH (C Lundholm) 4G By Nostradamus - The Empress (2.1-0-0): Came from second half of field for debut 1/2 nk win of 12 (11) $3.50 57.5 Zap Yah 1100m Narromine Mdn Soft(5) Aug 20. Slowly away, Laid out in straight when 3-3/4 len 9th of 14 (1) $6.00 56.0 Simply Xtravagant 1300m Dubbo Hcp (C1) Good(4) Sep 10. First -up. One for exotics.

PLENITUDE (C Lundholm) 3G By Kermadec (NZ) - Top Magic (4.1-1-0): On return from break finished 1-1/2 len 4th of 10 (8) $7.50 58.0 Bare To Witness 1100m Dubbo 2yo Open Hcp Good(4) May 20. Keen when 1/2 len win of 11 (7) $7.50 57.5 Plenitude 1100m Dubbo 2yo Open Hcp Soft(5) Jun 9. Resuming. Take beating.

DANCEDES (Cameron Crockett) 4M By Denman - Mossedes (2.1-0-0): Came from second half of field for debut 1/2 nk win of 10 (2) $1.60 55.5 Dancedes 900m Scone 3yo+ Mdn Good(4) Jan 22. Balanced up midfield when 5 len 6th of 11 (4) $5.50 58.0 Tabata Set 1100m Scone (Bm58) Good(4) Dec 19. Freshened. Coming off an average run in similar grade at Scone first-up. Worth some thought.

FANTASY CROWNED (Ms J Gales) 4G By Hallowed Crown - Lucky Fantasy (7.1-1-0): Began awkwardly, Ordered to trial when 12 len 7th of 8 (8) $6.50 56.0 Pyromania 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Good(4) Oct 15. Keen, Raced three wide when 2 len 4th of 11 (11) $12.00 57.0 Timmy 1200m Dubbo Hcp (C1) Good(4) Nov 4. Returning from let-up. Fair effort without threatening here last outing. Place preferred.

SOUTH BULLAWAY (C Lundholm) 3G By Charge Forward - Delabombell (6.1-1-0): Posted 4-1/4 len win of 5 (4) $1.95 55.5 South Bullaway 1100m Coonamble Mdn Good(4) Dec 17. Kept trying 2 len 7th of 11 (7) $8.00 56.5 Mike 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Soft(5) Dec 28. Fair effort without threatening at Orange last outing. On paper. Awkwardly drawn. Among the dangers.

SPEUDOSA (R C Robb) 6G By Fast 'n' Famous - Magic Bella (10.1-2-2): Resumed with 1/2 len 2nd of 11 (1) $4.40 61.0 Luckyinwithamee 1000m Warren (Bm50) Good(3) Apr 15. Resumed with 9-1/2 len 7th of 10 (9) $3.80 60.0 Blackhill Kitty 1100m Nyngan (C1) Good(3) Apr 25. First-up. Worth some thought.

CUMNOCK (Brett Thompson) 4G By Outreach - Coasters (10.1-1-4): Slowly away, Keen when 3/4 len, 1-1/2 len 3rd of 11 (5) $3.90 58.5 Benyatta 1100m Bathurst (Bm68) Good(3) Dec 18. Sound when 8 len 11th of 11 (9) $6.50 57.0 Mike 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Soft(5) Dec 28. Lacked a pick-up and only plugged to line at Orange at latest. Prefer others.

WASTED DAYS (Brett Robb) 3G By Supido - Miss Mellencamp (3.1-0-0): Began awkwardly, Keen when 2 len 7th of 11 (8) $5.00 56.0 Benyatta 1100m Bathurst (Bm68) Good(3) Dec 18. Battled away for 4 len 10th of 12 (3) $6.00 56.0 Precious Socks 1100m Gilgandra (Bm58) Good(4) Jan 7. Just battled home in similar grade at Gilgandra last time out. Appears tested.

PAHANG (Connie Greig) 7G By Dissident - River Vixen (47.6-6-4): Eased near 1200m when 8-1/4 len 8th of 12 (1) $9.00 59.0 Talkachino 1600m Dubbo Plate (C1) Good(3) Sep 19. Laid in in straight when 4-3/4 len 5th of 11 (10) $26.00 65.0 Inzaghi 1400m Coonamble Pic Champ Soft(5) Oct 8. First-up. Unplaced first-up. Prefer others.

INVEST IN LOVE (C Lundholm) 4M By Capitalist - Lovett (14.1-1-5): Began awkwardly, Raced wide without cover when 3 len 8th of 12 (10) $6.50 55.0 Rubi Air 1100m Narromine Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 5. Fair effort in 5 len 9th of 11 (1) $7.00 61.5 Pants On Fire 1200m Dubbo (Bm60) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Coming off an average run this level here last outing. No appeal.

CHELSEA AMANDA (Tim McIntosh) 5M By Your Song - Attrente (10.1-1-1): Raced wide without cover when 11 len 5th of 9 (8) $9.00 55.5 Due Diligence 1200m Beaumont (Bm58) Good(4) Oct 30. Reluctant to proceed to barriers, Wide throughout when 3 len 6th of 9 (6) $7.50 55.5 October Revolution 1000m Taree (Bm68) Soft(7) Jan 2. Fair effort without threatening at Taree last outing. Wide alley is a concern. One for multiples.

MONAZEL (B F Cavanough) 4M By Under The Louvre - Catzel (8.1-0-2): Disappointed for a run in straight when 2-1/2 len 10th of 13 (8) $18.00 57.0 Cheap Wine 1410m Grafton Mdn Plate Good(4) Jul 9. Eased near 400m when 2 len win of 11 (1) $2.80 54.0 Monazel 1200m Dubbo Mdn Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Commanding winner this level here first-up. 2kg claimer engaged. Strong claims.

BARCOO RIVER (R W Howe) 4G By Choisir - Jasminka (NZ) (16.1-2-2-2): Raced three wide when 2 len 6th of 11 (10) $51.00 57.5 Benyatta 1100m Bathurst (Bm58) Good(3) Dec 18. Beaten but not disgraced when 4 len 9th of 11 (4) $11.00 55.5 Mike 1290m Orange Hcp (C1) Soft(5) Dec 28. Went to line only fairly this level at Orange at latest. Rank outsider.

LADY FRAULEIN (C Lundholm) 5M By Panzer Division - Kenzie (21.1-3-3): Struck interference near 1000m, Held up on straightening when 2 len 6th of 12 (1) $51.00 55.0 Rubi Air 1100m Narromine Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 5. Slowly away, Eased near 100m when 5-1/4 len 8th of 11 (9) $10.00 56.5 Pants On Fire 1200m Dubbo (Bm50) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. No appeal.

PIXIE'S CHOICE (Brett Thompson) 5M By Great Choice - Pixie Gaze (6.1-0-1): First-up finished 7 len 6th of 13 (12) $51.00 58.5 Obsessive Nature 1000m Warren (Bm50) Good(4) Dec 15. Slowly away when 2 len 4th of 9 (3) $31.00 58.5 Snowdrop 1000m Dubbo (Bm50) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Fair effort without threatening here last time out. Needs luck from out there. Not fancied.

SEASONAL SPIRIT (M J Lunn) 4G By Wandjina - Negative Nelly (12.1-0-0): Fair effort in 13 len 8th of 9 (5) $51.00 55.0 Hellfire Express 1410m Orange Hcp (C1) Heavy(9) Nov 24. Fair effort in 9-1/4 len 9th of 11 (11) $21.00 55.0 Sauce Dragon 1100m Wellington Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 26. Hasn't been attacking the line lately. Can't have.

SMART 'N' RITZY (G R Brooker) 5M By Smart Missile - Seritza (28.1-2-1): Beaten but not disgraced when 3 len 7th of 12 (10) $151.00 55.0 Dune And Dusted 1000m Tamworth Hcp (C1) Good(4) Dec 12. Sound when 4-1/2 len 4th of 11 (6) $5.00 55.0 Sauce Dragon 1100m Wellington Hcp (C1) Good(3) Dec 26. No appeal.

6 3.30 BARASTOC SUMMER SPRINT SERIES Q3

1000m. $27,000. Benchmark 58 Heat. Apprentices can claim.

1	2210s	KEEP ON GOING (1) (twh)	Ms S Ingelse (a2)	63	90	6.50
2	42778	MY ODDETTE (9) (wh)	Ms Z Hunt (a3)	60.5	92	11.00
3	5s133	APOLLO STAR (7) (dtcb)	B Nock (a1.5)	60	91	4.80
4	33246	MIDNIGHT DREAM (10) (dtcsh)	C Gallagher	60	87	7.50
5	1736s	SIN CITY BELLE (3) (dtcwh)	C Vitler (a2)	59.5	82	19.00
6	3s1	DEVINE CHOPS (2) (dwh)	R Simpson (a)	59	90	$2.40
7	70308	TELLS TAILS (6) (dtcwh)	B Looker	58.5	81	26.00
8	1920s	BLACKHILL KITTY (8) (dh)	M Stapleford (a3)	57.5	100	41.00
9	s6455	SIMPLY BETTER (4) (dw)	J Pracey-Holmes	56.5	92	9.00
10	10166	JARMANAGIC (5) (dwh)	Ms C Hiller (a1.5)	55.5	87	81.00
11	s113s	TWYBORN AFFAIR (11)	Ms W Peel	55.5	91	23.00
12	5700s	ZARZOU (12) (w)	A Cavallo	55	79	151.00

KEEP ON GOING 1, Devine Chops 2, Tells Tails 3, Apollo Star 4

KEEP ON GOING (Stephen Edwards) 5G By I Am Invincible - Marwazeel (17.3-4-2): Began awkwardly when 1/2 hd win of 6 (6) $3.30 58.5 Keep On Going 1418m Dubbo Hcp (C2) Good(4) Aug 13. First-up finished 5-1/4 len 13th of 14 (6) $51.00 55.5 Stormy Witness 1400m Rosehill 3yo+ Hiway (C3) Good(4) Sep 9. Resuming. 2kg claimer engaged. Placed in Benchmark 58 company at here first up last campaign. Front-running. Races well on this track. Well placed from the perfect draw. Back to country level. Take beating.

MY ODDETTE (C Lundholm) 6M By Rock 'n' Pop - She's Swan Lake (NZ) (2.9-4-4-2): Kept trying 2-1/4 len 7th of 10 (1) $7.50 56.0 Admonish 1200m Ipswich (Bm65) Good(3) Oct 11. Balanced up midfield when 3 len 8th of 10 (9) $12.00 61.0 Steffi Magnetica 1010m Orange (Bm58) Soft(5) Dec 28. Wasn't all that far away at Orange at latest. Place preferred.

APOLLO STAR (Brett Thompson) 4G By Great Choice - Little Bitty (9.2-0-3): Began awkwardly when 1-3/4 len, 1/2 nk 3rd of 10 (9) $2.10 58.5 Gutsy 1010m Orange (Bm58) Good(3) Dec 11. Raced wide without cover when 1 len, 1/2 len 3rd of 9 (7) $2.50 62.5 Snowdrop 1000m Dubbo (Bm60) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. No match for winner but kept on for the minor spoils here at latest. Can play a role.

MIDNIGHT DREAM (Paul Cleby) 5G By Your Song - Dreamlike (22.2-5-2): Settled midfield when 3 len 4th of 13 (6) $5.50 61.0 King Rupert 1100m Scone (Bm58) Soft(5) Nov 20. Took up a midfield position when 3 len 6th of 12 (6) $19.00 60.5 Cyclone Rupert 1200m Mudgee (Bm68) Soft(7) Dec 1. Back from a let-up. Wasn't all that far away at Mudgee at latest. Normally races well at this distance. Tough alley. One for multiples.

SIN CITY BELLE (C Lundholm) 6M By Casino Prince - Sinequanon (17.4-3-2): Laid out in straight when 1 len, 2 len 3rd of 11 (5) $8.00 58.5 Fabulous Choice 1300m Narromine (Bm68) Good(4) Aug 20. Keen when 2-1/4 len 6th of 13 (5) $8.00 57.0 Laffing Waters 1300m Dubbo (Bm68) Good(4) Sep 10. First-up. Has raced well this track previously. In the mix.

DEVINE CHOPS (C Lundholm) 3G By Invader - Our Tanniconi (2.1-0-1): Poor recovery when 1-3/4 len, 1-1/4 len 3rd of 9 (6) $1.55 57.0 Sparkingly 1100m Coonamble 2yo Open Hcp Good(4) Mar 12. Resumed with 3 len win of 11 (3) $1.95 58.5 Devine Chops 1010m Orange Mdn Hcp Soft(5) Dec 28. Led and kept on to score convincingly this level at Orange first-up. Fitter Ideally drawn. Can play a key role.

TELLS TAILS (C Lundholm) 7M By Zoffany (IRE) - Rebel Gem (47.7-3-6): Sound when 3 len 10th of 12 (8) $41.00 53.0 Johnny Dash 1100m Narromine (Bm66) Good(3) Dec 5. Over raced early, middle stages when 4 len 8th of 9 (5) $3.80 60.5 Snowdrop 1000m Dubbo (Bm50) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Average effort this level here at latest. Effective this track/distance. Worth some thought.

BLACKHILL KITTY (Connie Greig) 6M By Ready For Victory - Bad Kitty (26.5-2-6): First-up finished 3/4 len 2nd of 5 (5) $3.60 68.0 Eastern 1000m Mungary 3yo+ Trophy Good(3) Oct 1. Raced three wide when 6-1/2 len 10th of 11 (11) $4.40 65.0 Inzaghi 1400m Coonamble Pic Champ Soft(5) Oct 8. Resuming. Fresh stats don't flatter. Looking to others.

SIMPLY BETTER (David J Smith) 4M By Better Than Ready - Sweet As (19.3-1-1): Beaten but not disgraced when 2 len 5th of 11 (9) $6.50 57.5 Benyatta 1100m Bathurst (Bm58) Good(3) Dec 18. Kept grinding 3 len 5th of 10 (6) $14.00 57.0 Stefi Magnetica 1010m Orange (Bm58) Soft(5) Dec 28. Far from disgraced at Orange last time out. Worth some thought.

JARMANAGIC (G D Lunn) 8G By Starspangledbanner - Rosemont Flyer (74.8-6-6): Pre race incident, Passed fit at barrier when 1 len 6th of 12 (9) $11.00 57.5 Yael's Delight 1100m Gilgandra (Bm50) Good(3) Dec 30. Reasonable effort 3 len 6th of 8 (8) $81.00 55.0 Beauchamp 1100m Gilgandra Open (Bm76) Good(4) Jan 7. Season-ed campaigner. Battled on fairly at Gilgandra last start. Place hope.

TWYBORN AFFAIR (C W Hodgson) 6G By Real Saga - Aspidistra (11.2-1-2): First-up finished 2 len win of 8 (7) $5.00 60.0 Twyborn Affair 1100m Carinda (Bm45) Good(3) Jul 15. Settled midfield when 3/4 len, shf nk 3rd of 12 (5) $5.50 59.5 The Big Seal 800m Gilgandra (Bm50) Good(4) Aug 5. Resuming. Drawn poorly. Not out of this.

ZARZOU (R W Howe) 7G By Zoustar - Arinosa (33.2-3-2): First-up finished 11-1/4 len 11th of 11 (9) $101.00 55.5 Divine Sinner 1118m Dubbo (Bm68) Good(4) Aug 13. First-up finished 6-3/4 len 11th of 12 (6) $21.00 59.0 Serene Shadow 1100m Mudgee (Bm50) Good(3) Sep 30. First-up. Needs luck from out there. Appears tested.

7 4.10 BARASTOC FURLONG DD2 Q4

1400m. $30,000. Benchmark 58. Apprentices can claim.

1	16669	CELTIC HARP (6) (dwh)	M Stapleford (a3)	63	84	10.00
2	14s09	THE MEDIATOR (15) (dtw)	W A Stanley (a1.5)	62.5	90	19.00
3	0s756	DREAM GAME (9) (w)	Ms S Ingelse (a2)	61	86	10.00
4	22039	RINGSIDE (5) (d)	J Pracey-Holmes	61	93	17.00
5	97070	TUPOU (4) (wh)	R Simpson (a)	60	84	19.00
6	55581	OWHATA CRUMPET (16) (bw)	A Banks	59.5	99	10.00
7	15s01	PANTS ON FIRE (18) (dtwh)	Ms C Hiller (a1.5)	59.5	92	7.50
8	77s05	ADELSUN (2) (dw)	N Heywood	59	94	$3.80
9	04s04	RIVER ROCKET (19) (wh)	B Nock (a1.5)	59	89	19.00
10	72783	WITNESS COLLECTOR (10) (dtwh)	M Heagney	58.5	91	23.00
11	62463	LINDEN TREE (8) (dtwh)	B Looker	57.5	100	19.00
12	6s686	MARYLAND BRIDGE (1) (bwh)	C Gallagher	57	87	13.00
13	51s52	DIVINE RENDEZVOUS (13) (w)	C Vitler (a2)	56.5	90	8.00
14	243s6	KALPANA (12) (wh)	Ms G Mc Donnell	55	100	11.00

EMERGENCIES

15	74s13	DUNDAS (7)	Scratched	57		–
16	82s95	SEARCHLIGHT (17) (dw)		57	90	61.00
17	379s8	JASIRI (14) (h)		55	84	126.00
18	50s57	OLLIVANDER (11) (twh)		55	89	34.00
19	607s6	COSTAS (3) (wh)		55	88	61.00

ADEL SUN 1, Pants On Fire 2, River Rocket 3, Kalpana 4

CELTIC HARP (Connie Greig) 5G By No Nay Never (USA) - Lagerphone (30.5-1-1): Hampered at start when 2 len 6th of 11 (10) $31.00 59.5 Driving Force 1200m Coonamble (Bm66) Good(3) Dec 17. Beaten but not disgraced when 5 len 9th of 9 (7) $41.00 54.0 Sea Of Flames 1600m Gilgandra Open (Bm80) Good(4) Jan 7. Place hope.

THE MEDIATOR (A M Molloy) 6G By Sebring - Dream 'n' Believe (27.4-1-2): Hampered at start when 3 len 10th of 11 (4) $41.00 60.0 Driving Force 1200m Coonamble (Bm66) Good(3) Dec 17. Kept grinding 5 len 9th of 11 (5) $7.00 59.5 Diamond Carat 1400m Gundagai (Bm66) Good(4) Jan 1. Prefer others.

DREAM GAME (C W Hodgson) 5G By Dream Ahead (USA) - It's Game On (17.2-1-4): Balanced up midfield when 2 len 5th of 11 (2) $31.00 58.0 Driving Force 1200m Coonamble (Bm66) Good(3) Dec 17. Positioned midfield when 3 len 6th of 12 (11) $26.00 59.0 Namu 1200m Gilgandra Hcp (C2) Good(4) Jan 7. Fair effort without threatening at Gilgandra at latest. One for multiples.

RINGSIDE (Kelly Smith) 8G By Stratum - Mother's Milk (NZ) (69.9-9-11-7): Kept fighting when lg

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1 11.22 CARISBROOK MOTORS PACE EQ1

1690m. $4500. NR 45 to 55 PBD Mobile.

1	24637	OHHEMMJAY CRESCO	Gary Pekin	Fr	41	8.00
2	05742	DOOO DONT THINK	Alex Ashwood	Fr	51	8.00
3	9982	SPORTS WRACK	Ewa Justice (C)	Fr	52	5.00
4	06636	BUDD SIDEWINDER	Jack Laugher	Fr	54	5.00
5	59463	ROCKETS MATE	Ellen Tormey	Fr	55	5.00
6	42737	RUBY WINGATE	Ryan Duffy	Fr	55	*3.50
7	8x0x0	TREACHEROUSTIMES	Glenn Bull	Fr	46	8.00
Second Line						
8	566	MY GREAT EIGHT	Jordan Leedham (C)	Fr	49	13.00

RUBY WINGATE 1, Rockets Mate 2, Budd Sidewinder 3, Treacherous times 4

OVERVIEW: RUBY WINGATE (6) capable mare that has been racing against stronger company and looks hard to beat in this. ROCKETS MATE (5) finished off nicely last start and is amongst the winning chances. BUDD SIDEWINDER (4) close two starts ago but disappointed last run. Can do much better and must be given another chance. TREACHEROUSTIMES (7) he's better than his figure form suggest and improvement would not surprise. Both OHEMMJAY CRESCO (1) DOOO DON'T THINK (2) and SPORTS WRACK (3) have favourable draws to be well poised and will get every chance.

2 11.57 MARYBOROUGH HIGHLAND SOCIETY EQ2

2190m. $7000. 3yo Pacers Maiden RBD Mobile.

1		MARLO MAREAU	Katrina Cain	Fr	50	13.00
2	6659	LETSGETROWDY	Chris Svanosio	Fr	48	5.50
3	764	LONGTAN VIPER	Jordan Leedham (C)	Fr	49	8.50
4	45222	COOPER CLEAVER	Michael Bellman	Fr	49	*3.00
5	37	SOHO SOLITAIRE	Michael Stanley	Fr	49	5.00
6	r7678	HARRO HILL	Josh Duggan	Fr	47	15.00
7	0s695	COBARGO WARLOCK	Michelle Philips	Fr	47	8.50
Second Line						
8	65s18	HEAVENS GIFT	James Herbertson (C)	Fr	49	6.50
9	6935	SUE NIEN	Ewa Justice (C)	Fr	48	11.00

COOPER CLEAVER 1, Lets getrowdy 2, Heavens Gift 3, Soho Solitaire 4

OVERVIEW: COOPER CLEAVER (4) is an improving pacer that is working up to a win after some promising performances and looks suited here. Hard to beat. SOHO SOLITAIRE (5) good effort at her race debut and performed below par last start though had excuses. Can bounce back here. LETSGETROWDY (2) has been slightly disappointing at his two runs back from a spell and should be improved by the race experience and will find this an easier assignment. Worthy of another chance. HEAVENS GIFT (8) has been around the placings to date and will get a soft trip and must be respected. MARLO MAREAU (1) first starter drawn well and expect a forward showing whilst LONGTAN VIPER (3) HARRO HILL (6) COBARGO WARLOCK (7) and SUE NIEN (9) cannot be dismissed.

3 12.32 MARYBOROUGH GOLF CLUB PACE EQ3

1690m. $4500. NR up to 45 PBD Mobile.

1	24670	ACE DUIGAN	Daniel Mannix (C)	Fr	30	8.00
2	34688	GOODTIME STRYKER	Jadsie Barker	Fr	31	11.00
3	817r	BETTERTHANFLYHIGH	Glenn Bull	Fr	38	11.00
4	05198	SUGOI ALTO	Michael Bellman	Fr	38	*4.50
5	s7744	MIDNIGHT MUSIC	Ashley Ainsworth	Fr	40	8.50
6	0s935	DANCIN DOLLY	Katrina Cain	Fr	40	8.50
7	3656s	MYSHANIA	James Herbertson (C)	Fr	40	8.50
Second Line						
8	46739	SILVER DOMINO	Jordan Leedham (C)	Fr	37	5.00
9	1655	ALLGOOD (Emi)	Taylor Youl (C)	Fr	43	
10	97867	CLARENDENSCOOTER	Ryan Duffy	Fr	43	*4.50
11	75860	SWEET FACE	Sean O'Sullivan (C)	Fr	30	26.00

SUGOI ALTO 1, Clarenden Scooter 2, Silver Domino 3, Ace Duigan 4

OVERVIEW: SUGOI ALTO (4) won a similar race three starts ago by leading throughout and will attempt to do the same here. Definite claims. CLARENDEN SCOOTER (10) capable of improving his figure form in this and was a winner in November against similar company. Definite chance. SILVER DOMINO (8) does have man more wins than most of the opposition and can threaten along with ACE DUIGAN (1) that has the perfect draw whilst GOODTIME STRYKER (2) BETTERTHANFLYHIGH (3) MIDNIGHT MUSIC (5) and DANCIN DOLLY (6) can't be ruled out in an even race.

4 1.07 MARYBOROUGH COMMUNITY BANK BRANCH EST TROT EQ4

2190m. $4500. Trotters NR up to 45 PBD Mobile.

1	86776	BUS VALLEY	Ian White	Fr	30	21.00
2	43532	SURPRISE TO ME (Emi)	Rory Coverdale (C)	Fr	33	
3	5960s	BOUTIKA	Ashley Ainsworth	Fr	36	7.50
4	86574	ASTRO	Chris Alford	Fr	37	5.50
5	66631	TENSION SEEKER	Scott Tormey	Fr	40	*4.00
6	51445	MASTER COMBATANT	Ellen Tormey	Fr	40	7.00
7	91758	MORSURE DAMOUR	Michelle Wight	Fr	45	5.50
Second Line						
8	03383	PERSEVERANSE	Nicholas O'Connor (C)	Fr	32	13.00
9	0331 0	STELLAR STRUT	Luke Dunne (C)	Fr	39	8.50
10	00947	WHATS THE TEA	James Herbertson (C)	Fr	30	11.00
11	57906	SETTLE THE BILL	Eddie Conroy	Fr	34	8.50

TENSION SEEKER 1, Astro 2, Master Combatant 3, Morsure Damour 4

OVERVIEW: TENSION SEEKER (5) ran on well to win last start and on that performance looks a major threat again. ASTRO (4) wasn't far away last start and can make his presence felt again along with MASTER COMBATANT (6) that is never far away. MORSURE DAMOUR (7) strips fitter and can win this but needs to trot throughout. Both BOUTIKA (3) and SETTLE THE BILL (11) might be the value chances in the race and can't be ruled out. At their best they are genuine chances in an open race.

5 1.42 BENSTUD STANDARDBREDS DD1 Q1

2190m. $6000. NR up to 51 PBD/L4$ Mobile.

1	s6875	TACTICS ARE ROLLIN	Luke Bryant	Fr	51	8.00
2	69874	SHEROCKSSHEROLLS	Karen Kendal	Fr	50	8.50
3	35693	ETIZ AMODEL	Nerryn Manning	Fr	37	15.00
4	13763	SHADY DANCER	Jadsie Barker	Fr	51	11.00
5	79343	ROCKIN CHARMER	Nicholas O'Connor (C)	Fr	44	11.00
6	82761	STRAIGHT UP	Ryan Sanderson (C)	Fr	40	8.50
7	32816	YOURSNMINE	Robert Walters	Fr	48	5.00
Second Line						
8	5142 3	DREAMERS DELIGHT NZ	Taylor Youl (C)	Fr	51	4.00
9	s1073	OZZIE JOYBELL	Josh Duggan	Fr	51	*3.50

OZZIE JOYBELL 1, Dreamers Delight 2, Yoursnmine 3, Sherocks Sherolls 4

OVERVIEW: OZZIE JOYBELL (9) progressive mare that still lacks race experience but shows plenty of talent. Lovely effort last start and expect her to be savaging the line. Hard to hold out. Stable mates DREAMERS DELIGHT (8) and YOURSNMINE (7) both have their share of talent and are suited amongst these. Both can figure in the finish. SHEROCKS SHEROLLS (2) speedy mare that can race handy and must be respected. TACTICS ARE ROLLIN (1) drawn well and can improve. Don't dismiss.

6 2.22 ALDEBARAN PARK TROTTERS HCP Q2

2190m. $7000. Trotters NR up to 55 PBD Stand.

1	2000s	BEAUTIFUL SUNRISE	Ashley Ainsworth	Fr	43	13.00
2	2260s	KYVALLEY SURFRIDER NZ	Chris Alford	Fr	45	7.00
3	36366	NORTHOLT	Josh Dickie	Fr	46	13.00
4	74654	SHIELD MAIDEN	Anne-Maree Conroy	Fr	48	7.50
5	68251	CHRISTMAS BABE NZ	Shannon O'Sullivan	Fr	48	8.50
6	74556	ARABELLA SHOWDOWN	Nicholas O'Connor (C)	Fr	51	8.50
7	36602	ALDEBARAN SELENA	Leilani Justice (C)	Fr	44	15.00
Second Line						
8	42866	GLENGARRIFF	Jadsie Barker	Fr	46	15.00
9	90680	FLING IT RAINBOW	James Herbertson (C)	Fr	51	21.00
10	01143	CHARLIE WALKER	Michael Bellman	10	54	*4.00
11	s0874	CORK	Declan Murphy (C)	10	54	8.00
12	21638	ALDEBARAN BOYD	Ewa Justice (C)	10	55	8.50

KYVALLEY SURFRIDER 1, Charlie Walker 2, Shield Maiden 3, Christmas Babe 4

OVERVIEW: KYVALLEY SURFRIDER (2) is first up since October but enjoyed a great campaign last time in work under the astute care of Katrina Fitzpatrick. Normally races well fresh and can settle handy and is worthy of an each way ticket. CHARLIE WALKER (10) has been racing with great zest and looks hard to hold out again. SHIELD MAIDEN (4) races well under these conditions and at the track. Definite chance. CHRISTMAS BABE (5) getting back into form and must be respected. ARABELLA SHOWDOWN (6) CORK (11) ALDEBARAN BOYD (12) have been racing against stronger opposition and are not out of this.

7 3.02 HARAS DES TROTTEURS TROT DD2 Q3

2190m. $7000. 2L TW Trotters PBD/LTW Mobile.

1	s4109	TINEY (Emi)	Ben Xiniha (C)	Fr	51	
2	72931	THE VICARS GIRL	Kevin Weidenbach	Fr	51	8.00
3	57317	MINIMEZ	Michelle Wight	Fr	52	8.00
4	59977	SOUTHBOUND RED	Jadsie Barker	Fr	34	34.00
5	9166	AZALEA MAE	Brett Shipway	Fr	52	8.00
6	47224	WISTFUL LADY	Nicholas O'Connor (C)	Fr	42	11.00
7	55546	CADENCE LANE	Nerryn Manning	Fr	53	*3.50
Second Line						
8	5r94s	POPPY POP STAR	Nick Youngson	Fr	53	13.00
9	6462	DOUBLE DOT	Lauren White (C)	Fr	30	13.00
10	31635	FREDRHYS	Michael Bellman	Fr	52	7.50
11	24451	FLYING FLYNN	Michael Bellman	Fr	49	11.00
12	58214	ROLL WITH ROSCO	Clinton Welsh	Fr	44	11.00
13	21	ARGYLE ROCKS	Ashley Ainsworth	Fr	53	11.00

CADENCE LANE 1, Fredrhys 2, Argyle Rocks 3, The Vicars Girl 4

OVERVIEW: CADENCE LANE (7) has proven to be a headache in recent times for legendary trainer Peter Manning having been in winning positions at her past two starts and appearing to break stride for no reason. If she trots, she can win! Take on trust! FREDRHYS (10) going well enough to be a winning chance in this and can figure. ARGYLE ROCKS (13) talented but still learning. Tough draw but can run well. THE VICARS GIRL (2) MINIMEZ (3) AZALEA MAE (5) all have favourable draws to race prominent and must be respected. DOUBLE DOT (9) FLYIN FLYNN (11) ROLL WITH ROSCO (12) are racing well and can't be dismissed.

8 3.42 MCPHERSONS PRINTING GROUP Q4

2190m. $8000. NR 52 to 59 PBD/NR/L4$ Mobile.

1	88696	OUTBACK QUEENIE	Michael Bellman	Fr	57	21.00
2	04870	MADAME ANNIE (Emi)	Taylor Youl (C)	Fr	57	
3	58696	MADAM REACTOR	Shannon O'Sullivan	Fr	57	11.00
4	58194	OUR BEACH BABE	Liam Cider (C)	Fr	55	13.00
5	11544	WICHITA KANSAS	Leilani Justice (C)	Fr	52	8.50
6	s9x21	MCARDOM	Luke Dunne (C)	Fr	52	8.50
7	22156	MISS HERMES	Ellen Tormey	Fr	57	11.00
Second Line						
8	76418	OZZIE JOY	Jack Laugher	Fr	59	11.00
9	21373	SLICE OF CHEDDAR	Chris Alford	Fr	57	*4.50
10	16507	WINGATE GUY	Ryan Duffy	Fr	58	6.50
11	87885	DOUBLE THE HUNTER	Michelle Philips	Fr	58	8.50
12	5566 0	CASTING SHADOW	Alex Ashwood	Fr	59	11.00
13	s5415	AMORE ROCK	Jordan Leedham (C)	Fr	59	8.00

SLICE OF CHEDDAR 1, Madam Reactor 2, Wingate Guy 3, Double The Hunter 4

OVERVIEW: SLICE OF CHEDDAR (9) is the rising pacer from the pack that needs to step up into this next class. Chased home a smart horse last start and back to a bigger track should suit. Definite chance. MADAM REACTOR (3) could be one at bolters odds that gets under the guard. Has competed in races where the form line has been exceptional and would not shock. WINGATE GUY (10) DOUBLE THE HUNTER (11) CASTING SHADOW (12) AMORE ROCK (13) are seasoned pacers that dropin class and all have ability and must come under consideration for this. WICHITA KANSAS (5) going well but meeting slight stronger opposition. Respect. The dominant Julie Douglas team of MISS HERMES (7) and OZZIE JOY (8) are always capable whilst MCARDOM (6) is racing well though this is harder than recent starts.

9 4.22 PETER EGAN BI-RITE ELECTRICAL PACE

1690m. $4500. NR up to 45 PBD Mobile.

1	4073	SUMMERHILL	Ryan Sanderson (C)	Fr	30	8.00
2	29061	FOREGONE CONCLUSIONNZ	Luke Dunne (C,S)	Fr	40	8.00
3	86127	HAND WRITER	Jack Laugher	Fr	42	6.50
4	37428	ICANMOTOR	Ryan Duffy	Fr	37	7.00
5	20428	WRITTEN COURAGE	Sean O'Sullivan (C,S)	Fr	44	13.00
6	77551	BLUE OCEAN	Glen Bull	Fr	40	*5.50
7	87244	GLENS OF TEXOA NZ	Liam Cider (C,S)	Fr	45	13.00
Second Line						
8	69524	ERNIELOVENBOY	Michelle Philips	Fr	41	6.00
9	31775	EAGLES AND INDIANS	Alex Ashwood	Fr	42	6.00
10	16551	ALL GOOD (Emi)	Taylor Youl (C)	Fr	43	
11	92076	PLAYNICE	Ellen Tormey	Fr	35	8.00

ERNIELOVENBOY 1, Eagles And Indians 2, Hand Writer 3, Icanmotor 4

OVERVIEW: ERNIELOVENBOY (8) hasn't enjoyed much luck in recent starts and is going well enough to be competitive here despite the unfavourable draw. Each way claims. EAGLES AND INDIANS (9) won at this track four starts ago and should be running on late. Both HAND WRITER (3) and ICANMOTOR (4) can settle handy and must be respected in this class. BLUE OCEAN (6) won well last start and comes under consideration again in an open race. SUMMERHILL (1) FOREGONE CONCLUSION (2) WRITTEN COURAGE (5) GLENS OF TEXOA (7) PLAYNICE (11) have claims.

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TAB PINJARRA HARNESS TODAY TAB CODE: WH

DAILY DOUBLE 5 & 7
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 6, 7, 8
QUADDIE 5, 6, 7, 8

1 2.12 STUART CROSS LIGHTNING LAP SERIES EQ1

1177m. $9057. 3yo & up L2/5 NE HWOE $12,000+ PBD Mobile.

1	55676	TORREVEAN PINKY	Emily Suvaljko	Fr	12.00
2	94546	TORREVEAN VELOCE	Kyle Symington (C)	Fr	26.00
3	1264s	GEARSINAWHIRL	Briana Edman (C)	Fr	11.00
4	1863 7	ALWAYS BE TEDDY	Gary Hall Jnr	Fr	6.00
5	19963	I WILL NEVER KNOW	Trent Wheeler	Fr	26.00
6	43154	SWEET LUCIFER	Shannon Suvaljko	Fr	*2.50
7	51429	REG LAWSON	Shannon Suvaljko	Fr	8.00
8	22186	SCUTTLEBUTT	Chris Voak	Fr	4.00

SWEET LUCIFER 1, Scuttlebutt 2, Reg Lawson 3, Always Be Teddy 4

2 2.45 FIONA CROSS TROT EQ2

2116m. $9360. 3yo & up Trotters L1+ HWOE $0+ RBD Stand.

1	3360s	THE HONOURS NZ	Wayne Price	Fr	51.00
2	77737	BONNIE RAE	Lauren Harper	20	5.00
3	11874	UP TOWN LAD	Kyle Harper	30	*1.40
4	93564	TENNERSON	Dean Miller	40	18.00
5	76825	BEE BEE BEROC	Garry Johnson	40	8.00
6	92449	STAY FOCUSED	Chris Voak	60	26.00
7	8669	LINE THE STARZZZ	Dylan Egerton-Green	80	21.00

UP TOWN LAD 1, Bonnie Rae 2, Bee Bee Beroc 3, Line The Starzzz 4

3 3.25 WES CROSS LIGHTNING LAP SERIES EQ3

1177m. $9057. 3yo & up F&M L1/5 NE HWOE $12,000+ PBD Mobile.

1	89884	LILLY LAGUNA (Emi)	Briana Edman (C)	Fr	51.00
2	65744	SYNCOPATION	Gary Hall Jnr	Fr	15.00
3	2s535	AMERICAN MONARCH	Aiden De Campo	Fr	5.00
4	18804	SHES A LUCKY PENNY	Trent Wheeler	Fr	71.00
5	18408	CONSTELLATIONEWEL	Stuart McDonald	Fr	51.00
6	31656	AMERICAN DUTCHESS	Shannon Suvaljko	Fr	26.00
7	314s1	ZARA TINDALL NZ	Chris Voak	Fr	*1.45
8	43531	NANCY KAY	Kyle Harper	Fr	15.00
9	0s121	LUCI KANE	Maddison Brown	Fr	9.00

ZARA TINDALL 1, American Monarch 2, Luci Kane 3, Syncopation 4

4 3.58 ALI NA FRANEC PACE EQ4

1684m. $9360. 3yo & up Maiden (HWOE = $0) RBD Mobile.

1	2622	CHACO EAGLE	Tonia Stampalia	Fr	*1.50
2	74980	KRI PIKE	Barry Giudice	Fr	26.00
3	s2323	SONGSTER	Dean Miller	Fr	6.00
4	8s	INTERNAL WAVES	Garry Butler	Fr	34.00
5	30425	VEEFORVICTORY	Chris Voak	Fr	8.00
6	65302	SWEET ROSEY	Chris Lewis	Fr	11.00
7	60760	JUST A HAPPY MAN	Dennis Wych	Fr	34.00
Second Line					
8	509s	JINGLING JEWELS	Briana Edman (C)	Fr	26.00
9	6s776	OUR MUSICAL MOTION	Aldo Cortopassi	Fr	41.00

CHACO EAGLE 1, Songster 2, Sweet Rosey 3, Veeforvictory 4

5 4.34 J.B ROCKS OPP LIGHTNING LAP SER. DD1 Q1

1177m. $9057. 3yo & up L2/5 NE HWOE $12,000+ PBD Mobile.

1	00s59	EASTON ROBIN NZ	Kyle Symington (C)	Fr	51.00
2	05959	ZAC YOUR NOBODY	Toby Lynn (C)	Fr	21.00
3	94s20	YANI YANI	Maddison Brown	Fr	11.00
4	02740	BEALAWYER	Shannon Suvaljko	Fr	21.00
5	r8026	BRODIE BOY	Aiden De Campo	Fr	5.00
6	667d	HENRY MAGUIRE NZ	Chris Voak	Fr	*1.85
7	62124	COLORADO BANNER NZ	Gary Hall Jnr	Fr	4.00

HENRY MAGUIRE 1, Colorado Banner 2, Brodie Boy 3, Yani Yani 4

6 5.07 RICK CROSS PACE Q2

2185m. $9360. 3yo & up F&M L5/7 NE HWOE $25,000+ PBD Mobile.

1	50422	IMA TINY DANCER	Maddison Brown	Fr	4.00
2	13622	QUATTROSE	Dylan Egerton-Green	Fr	*2.60
3	77850	YANKEE DELIGHT NZ	Garry Johnson	Fr	99.00
4	2bs75	GO HOME JO	Toby Lynn (C)	Fr	26.00
5	14454	TORREVEAN AMY	Shannon Suvaljko	Fr	34.00
6	91361	BRAMANTE STEPS	Kyle Harper	Fr	3.50
7	67621	STARS OF GOLD	Chris Voak	Fr	34.00
Second Line					
8	96767	MADDY ROCKS	Callan Suvaljko	Fr	15.00
9	55943	PONZI BEACH	Chris Lewis	Fr	9.00

QUATTROSE 1, Ima Tiny Dancer 2, Bramante Steps 3, Ponzi Beach 4

7 5.32 WESTCOAST WASTE LIGHTNING LAP SER. DD2 Q3

1177m. $9057. 3yo & up L6/7(CL8) HWOE LT $25,000 PBD Mobile.

1	69800	SUNPATRA (Em2)	Gary Hall Jnr	Fr	9.00
2	56976	ALL AUSSIE MACH (Emi)	(c,d)	Fr	9.00
3	44403	ALEXANDRA THE GREAT	Stuart McDonald	Fr	12.00
4	2653	MISTER PICCOLO	Dylan Egerton-Green	Fr	8.00
5	65952	JADES FORTUNE	Kyle Symington (C)	Fr	26.00
6	61778	IDEAL WHITBY	Aaron Suvaljko (C)	Fr	16.00
7	45861	YABETTOR FOLLOWME	Trent Wheeler	Fr	21.00
8	66154	STAR LILLY		Fr	5.50
9	59142	TANTABIDDI	Michael Miller	Fr	*1.80
10	10538	MAGIC EYE MICK	LORNE STEER	FR	10.00

TANTABIDDI 1, Star Lilly 2, Mister Piccolo 3, Magic Eye Mick 4

8 6.03 WESTCOAST WASTE AUSTRALIND Q4

2116m. $9360. 3yo & up L6+ HWOE $12,000+ RBD Stand.

1	s5314	TROUBLE SUPREME NZ	Ryan Warwick	Fr	9.00
2	0s818	BILLY TO THE MAX	Trent Wheeler	Fr	51.00
3	0122	LOUIE LEBEAU NZ	Callan Suvaljko	Fr	14.00
4	635s9	THE WILDCARD	Aiden De Campo	Fr	18.00
5	76688	SKIPPYS DELIGHT NZ	Gary Hall Jnr	Fr	34.00
6	1166	FLY TO FAME	Chris Lewis	10	2.00
7	1113	GALAXY WARRIOR	Shannon Suvaljko	10	4.50
8	28221	ROCKARTIST	Chris Voak	10	*1.90
9	99047	GENERAL JOLT	Aldo Cortopassi	20	71.00
10	58508	PIVOTAL	Darren Schofield	20	99.00
11	19897	BATAVIA BLACKHOLE	Aaron Suvaljko (C,d)	20	126.00
12	44850	SEE IN YOU SHALL FIND	Emily Suvaljko	20	126.00

ROCK ARTIST 1, Galaxy Warrior 2, Trouble Supreme 3, Fly To Fame 4

9 6.41 WESTCOAST WASTE VASSE LIGHTNING LAP SER.

1177m. $9057. 3yo & up L8/9(CL10) Conditioned PBD Mobile.

1	0003s	REGAL CHEVAL	Maddison Brown	Fr	3.80
2	9s506	MISTA EDITORIAL NZ	Dylan Egerton-Green	Fr	26.00
3	6s049	STREET APPEAL NZ	Callan Suvaljko	Fr	18.00
4	990s2	HES A COOL MACH	Michael Brennan	Fr	6.50
5	603rs	AZTERIAN	Kyle Symington (C)	Fr	14.00
6	1462s	ROCKIN RUFUS	Trent Wheeler	Fr	18.00
7	8941 1	SOHO SANTORINI	Michael Miller	Fr	*1.75

SOHO SANTORINI 1, Regal Cheval 2, Hes A Cool Mach 3, Azterian 4

HARNESS LEGEND: **M1/C3** - Class of race (one metro win/three career wins). **RBD** - Random barrier draw. **PBD** - Preferential barrier draw. **ODM** - Out of the draw in mobiles. **RODM** - Right out of the draw in mobiles. **ODS** - Out of the draw in stands. **RODS** - Right out of the draw in stands. **EOD** - Moved to extreme outside draw. **RHCP** - Rehandicapped. **TR** - Trotter. **C&G** - Colts & geldings. **(C)** - Concession driver. **(C,d)** - Claiming concession driver.

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DAILY DOUBLE 5 & 7
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 5, 6, 7
QUADDIE 4, 5, 6, 7

1 11.33 STUART VALENTINE FOR ALL BLOODSTOCK INS. EQ1

1660m. $4060. NR up to 40 PBD Mobile.

1	20797	DONT YOU BE NAUGHTY	Alanah Richardson (C)	Fr	30	31.00
2	99778	THE LAST STARFIRE	Noel Parrish	Fr	30	51.00
3	77588	DARTESIAN	Scratched	Fr	30	–
4	66656	MOLLIDOR	Brendan Barnes	Fr	30	16.00
5	56674	PERFECT FEELING	Dayl March	Fr	32	5.50
6	44908	IMA BIRUBI BOY	Danniele Veivers	Fr	37	*2.50
7	96668	BUSTN FEELZ GOOD	Mathew Nelson	Fr	37	11.00
Second Line						
8	s8365	MY GIRL BLAZE	Angus Garrard (C)	Fr	34	3.80

PERFECT FEELING 1, Ima Birubi Boy 2, Bustn Feelz Good 3, My Girl Blaze 4

2 12.12 KELATO ANIMAL HEALTH PACE EQ2

1660m. $4060. NR up to 40 PBD Mobile.

1	12568	HESLUVABLE	Chloe Butler (C)	Fr	38	7.00
2	71368	MY ULTIMATE HESTON	Angus Garrard (C)	Fr	38	21.00
3	52455	WESTERN ACTION	Ricky Gordon	Fr	38	11.00
4	63549	KIWI ROYALTY	Noel Parrish	Fr	37	26.00
5	81856	THREE MACHS	Leonard Cain	Fr	39	13.00
6	79417	DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN	Mathew Nelson	Fr	39	5.50
7	4s645	DEAD SET CRAZY	Matt Elkins	Fr	51	31.00
Second Line						
8	73291	MUSTANG DUDE	Gary Whitaker	Fr	40	4.00
9	44543	ROCCO VARIETY	Brendan Barnes	Fr	40	*2.20

HESLUVABLE 1, Dead Set Crazy 2, Western Action 3, Mustang Dude 4

3 12.47 GARRARDS HORSE & HOUND PACE EQ3

2138m. $4180. 2 Wins No NR PBD/LTW Mobile.

1	31979	ULTIMATE HUNTER	Mathew Nelson	Fr	49	5.00
2	s3611	NAUTIE GALVINATOR	Matt Elkins	Fr	53	*1.50
3	54052	CERTAINLY CALUTIN	Dayl March	Fr	43	11.00
4	26188	ROCKTIME	Leonard Cain	Fr	46	26.00
5	79799	ONE CHAIN ROAD	Brendan Barnes	Fr	47	21.00
6	96788	LADY ANTHEIA	Angus Garrard (C)	Fr	41	41.00
7	s8981	KISS ON THE BEACH	Ricky Gordon	Fr	51	31.00
Second Line						
8	97399	ASTROPHILIA	Chloe Butler (C)	Fr	45	16.00

NAUTIE GALVINATOR 1, Kiss On The Beach 2, Rocktime 3, Ultimate Hunter 4

4 1.22 PRYDE'S EASIFEED RACINGCUBE EQ4 Q1

1660m. $4060. NR up to 40 PBD Mobile.

1	66726	MISS PAU	Ricky Gordon	Fr	30	15.00
2	26920	LORD DENZEL	Angus Garrard (C)	Fr	35	26.00
3	37599	BABY GINNIE	Mathew Nelson	Fr	36	31.00
4	43270	IT AINT ROYAL	Danniele Veivers	Fr	37	9.00
5	66062	MY SECRET BEACH	Chloe Butler (C)	Fr	38	3.80
6	5753	LETS SAVE THE DAY NZ	Noel Parrish	Fr	40	*2.10
7	31775	CALL ME TRISH	Brendan Barnes	Fr	40	7.50
Second Line						
8	64188	CIRCLE LINE	Gary Whitaker	Fr	38	11.00
9	89896	BATMAN BART	Adam Richardson	Fr	39	5.00

LETS SAVE THE DAY 1, My Secret Beach 2, Lord Denzel 3, It Aint Royal 4

5 1.57 PACE DD1 Q2

2138m. $4180. NR 46 to 51 PBD Mobile.

1	63977	CHARLIE CHUCKLES	Layne Dwyer (C,S)	Fr	47	4.20
2	84753	MUCHO GUAPA	Mathew Nelson	Fr	46	26.00
3	99999	DONNY JONES NZ	Nathan Rothwell (C,S)	Fr	48	17.00
4	12711	GRACENAVA	Gary Whitaker	Fr	48	*2.00
5	16648	JAKKI MUN	Brendan Barnes	Fr	49	21.00
6	3112s	GIDUP CAPTAIN	Brittany Graham	Fr	51	8.00
7	83575	NEVADA YANKEE	Angus Garrard (C)	Fr	51	15.00
Second Line						
8	61667	STRUTTY	Leonard Cain	Fr	50	6.00

GRACENAVA 1, Gidup Captain 2, Strutty 3, Charlie Chuckles 4

6 2.37 LUNCHBOX LODGE SPELLING FARM Q3

1660m. $4060. NR 56 to 70 PBD Mobile.

1	75587	FLARE UP	Matt Elkins	Fr	60	*3.00
2	78745	BRIAN CHRISTOPHER NZ	Brendan Barnes	Fr	53	21.00
3	45645	ARTFUL MAID	Dayl March	Fr	59	4.50
4	94159	GOLDEN BAY NZ	Brittany Graham	Fr	54	3.80
5	23449	BONNIES CAM	Paige Bevan (C)	Fr	58	8.00
6	70840	JOHNSON STEP NZ	Alanah Richardson (C,S)	Fr	72	41.00
7	59738	AQUA SANCTA NZ	Nathan Rothwell (C)	Fr	68

TAB MUSWELLBROOK RACES TODAY TAB CODE: CR

DAILY DOUBLE 5 & 7
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 5, 6, 7
QUADDIE 4, 5, 6, 7

1 12.05 HORSEPOWER HANDICAP EQ1

1000m. $27,000. Class 1. Apprentices can claim.

	FORM	HORSE (BARRIER)	JOCKEY	WGT	RTG	ODDS
1	23596	MYSWEETMOSES (2)	A Morgan	62	95	4.00
2	413s8	FLYING BIRDS (8)	M Bell	61	92	11.00
3	1	DIZE (7) (d)	Ms A Roper (a)	58.5	100	5.00
4	8060s	SCHWOON (4) (dw)	Mr R Brett Ray (a3)	58	89	13.00
5	044s0	SIPPITY SIP (6) (dw)	G Buckley	58	94	7.00
6	4s517	SNITZAROO (5) (d)	A Bullock	58	100	★3.50
7	726s6	MARAMOTI (NZ) (9)	B Osmond (a2)	56	88	13.00
8	13s33	STORM'S END (10) (wb)	Ms J Duggan	56	93	7.00
9	17980	CATCH ME OUT (3) (t)	D Mc Lellan	55	78	$1.00
10	810s6	SNOW STAR (1)	Matthew Palmer	55	85	34.00

SNITZAROO 1, Mysweetmoses 2, Dize 3, Sippity Sip 4

2 12.40 TAB SUMMER SIZZLER EQ2

1000m. $27,000. Open. Apprentices can claim.

1	53147	OUTREACH TO HENRY (2) (de)	A Gibbons	61	96	★2.50
2	5s149	SHARKIM (9) (dw)		60	88	9.00
3	4s163	CUSTO (4) (dtcwb)	M Bell	59.5	98	3.00
4	s4074	GIDGEE GUY (6) (dtcw)	G Buckley	59.5	91	7.00
5	43665	I'M NOT SLEW (7) (dtc)	R Jones	58.5	100	9.00
6	5631s	SECRET SPY (1)	A Bullock	58	99	13.00
7	1707s	POWDERFINGER (5) (w)	A Morgan	55	93	17.00
8	21546	NOSEY (3) (dtcw)	Ms A Roper (a)	55	85	26.00
9	7490s	SILICA SAND (8) (w)	B Osmond (a2)	55	75	34.00

OUTREACH TO HENRY 1, Custo 2, Gidgee Guy 3, Sharkim 4

3 1.15 BENGALLA PLATE EQ3

1450m. $30,000. Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

1	987s8	DEIFIC (2)	Ms M Fitzgerald (a2)	59	81	101.00
2	09905	GOLDEN RIVER GIFT (7)	Mr R Brett Ray (a3)	59	86	51.00
3	59840	MASTER TYLER (NZ) (9)		59	83	51.00
4	24s52	MEDINAH (6) (b)	A Bullock	59	100	★2.25
5	5967	SELVAM (10)	Matthew Palmer	59	80	41.00
6	0	JAMESY (4)	Ms M Weir	57.5	90	21.00
7	45s56	JUST BREATHE (1)	K Jennings	57	90	17.00
8	6s672	ULTIMATE REIGN (8) (hb)	J Van Overmeire	57	92	11.00
9	00s75	EMPRESS OF MILAN (5)	A Morgan	55.5	82	21.00
10	3	IMAGE OF THE SUN (11)	G Buckley	55.5	93	2.50
11	575s6	M'LADY'S LUCK (3) (h)	Ms A Roper (a)	55.5	94	9.00

MEDINAH 1, Image Of The Sun 2, M'Lady's Luck 3, Ultimate Reign 4

4 1.50 TAB HANDICAP EQ4 Q1

1450m. $30,000. Class 1. Apprentices can claim.

1	5s827	RURA PENTHE (5)	A Bullock	60.5	95	7.00
2	150s3	HALLOWED SON (1) (t)	J Woodhouse	59	93	11.00
3	56124	GOLD SMILES (10) (w)	K Jennings	56.5	91	13.00
4	1	MY RIVIERA (9) (w)	A Morgan	56.5	100	★3.50
5	721	OUTBACK CRUMPET (11) (dh)	Ms M Weir	56.5	91	8.00
6	3s31	ZIPPO IDEA (7) (tw)	R Jones	56.5	99	4.75
7	37491	POWER TO DECEIVE (12) (h)	Ms C Hodgotte (a2)	55.5	95	11.00
8	77s45	WHITE ARENDELLE (2) (wh)	Ms J Duggan	55.5	94	9.00
9	77481	ARTELIMAR (6) (h)	Ms A Roper (a)	55	99	13.00
10	8s465	IRISH KIN (4) (wh)	J Van Overmeire	55	85	26.00
11	99987	RANSOMING (8) (dw)	Ms M Fitzgerald (a2)	55	81	34.00
12	38s19	READY FOR LIFT OFF (3)	G Buckley	55	87	26.00

MY RIVIERA 1, Zippo Idea 2, Rura Penthe 3, Outback Crumpet 4

5 2.30 GREAT NORTHERN HANDICAP DD1 Q2

1000m. $27,000. Maiden. Apprentices can claim.

1	5s623	SUPER STORY (9)	R Jones	59	90	5.00
2	89s	SMART JAZZ (10)	A Bullock	58.5	87	34.00
3		THE BENTLEY (6)	A Gibbons	58.5	84	41.00
4	6	BEERSMADEFROMWATER (12)	G Buckley	57.5	83	13.00
5	s632s	SKY ARTIST (8)	H Van Der Hoven	57.5	100	4.00
6	4s764	CATCHY TUNES (13)	Scratched	57		–
7	5674s	UNCLE ALF (7)		57	93	9.00
8		CORDIALITY (5)	J Van Overmeire	56.5	87	15.00
9		ROCKBARTON FASHION (4)	C Reith	56.5	75	21.00
10	s0s90	AL'S ROSE (14)	D Mc Lellan	56	75	101.00
11	5s63	CLAN D'ORO (11)	Ms A Roper (a)	56	100	★3.50
12	s9878	UFANA (1)	M Bell	56	87	$1.00
13	67280	VINLAGO (3) (h)	D Northey	56	82	$1.00
14	06257	WAR WINGS (2)	Mr R Brett Ray (a3)	56	84	34.00

CLAN D'ORO 1, Sky Artist 2, Super Story 3, Uncle Alf 4

SUPER STORY (S I Singleton) 4G By Supido - Persian Fable (10-0-3-3): Battled away gamely 3/4 len 2nd of 10 (2) $17.00 59.0 Tarabeau 1100m Scone Mdn Good(4) Dec 19. Laid out in straight when 3-1/4 len, 1-1/4 len 3rd of 14 (5) $4.80 55.0 Magnucat 900m Muswellbrook Mdn Soft(5) Jan 4. Primed to strike. On the speed but had no answer late here last start. Must be considered.

SMART JAZZ (L J Fairhall) 5G By Smart Missile - Real Jazz (IRE) (2-0-0-0): Began awkwardly when 7-1/2 len 8th of 11 (2) $13.00 59.0 Justina 1000m Kembla Grange MDN PLATE Soft(5) Sep 10. Positioned midfield when 9 len 9th of 12 (3) $51.00 58.5 Lonnoli 1300m Goulburn Mdn Hcp Good(4) Sep 23. Had the benefit of 1/2 len 2nd of 8 (2) Sharkhop 800m Beaumont 4yo• (Barrier Trial) Heavy(8) Jan 5. First up from lengthy break. Formerly with Joseph Pride. Safely held at both runs to date. Not fancied.

THE BENTLEY (M S Minervini) 3G By Exceed And Excel - The Hamptons (0-0-0-0): Kicks off here after 5-1/4 len 7th of 8 (7) Sleeping Lion 800m Beaumont 3yo (Barrier Trial) Heavy(8) Jan 5. Trials: (2-0-0-0). Unplaced in trials. Monitor betting moves.

BEERSMADEFROMWATER (Sam Kavanagh) 3G By Headwater - Ready Magic (1-0-0-0): Slowly away. Held up near turn when 7 len 6th of 10 (5) $11.00 52.5 Cool Storm 810m Coffs Harbour Mdn Good(4) Dec 29. Only plodded home at Coffs Harbour on debut. Place appeal only.

SKY ARTIST (Annabel Neasham) 3F By Trapeze Artist - Little Bit a Love (3-0-1-2): Resumed with 11 len, hd 3rd of 6 (5) $1.70 56.0 Tawfiq Star 1000m Goulburn Mdn Good(4) Aug 2. Hit line hard in nk 2nd of 9 (7) $4.40 56.0 Hot Bandit 1100m Scone Mdn Soft(6) Aug 21. Prepared for this with 2-1/4 len win of 9 (1) Sky Artist 808m Warwick Farm 3yo• (Barrier Trial) Soft(5) Jan 2. First up. Trialled well for return. Strong claims.

CATCHY TUNES (G McFarlane) 9M By The Brothers War (USA) - Songcatcher (3-0-1-1): Raced wide without cover when 6 len 6th of 8 (7) $26.00 57.0 Woodlander 1200m Gosford Super Mdn Soft(7) Dec 21. Raced wide without cover when 4 len 4th of 14 (8) $6.50 56.5 Magnucat 900m Muswellbrook Mdn Soft(5) Jan 4. Won't be far away in the run. Needs luck from out there. Has claims.

UNCLE ALF (G McFarlane) 5G By Super One - Miss Murphy's Law (4-0-0-0): Hampered at start when 7-3/4 len 7th of 9 (9) $61.00 59.0 Gayleheck 900m Newcastle Mdn Plate Good(3) Feb 4. Keen, Lame 2/5 when 5-3/4 len 4th of 7 (3) $31.00 56.0 Bundeena 1200m Gosford Mdn Good(4) Feb 18. Resuming. Back to country level. Not out of this.

CORDIALITY (Matthew Smith) 3F By Zoustar - Gradousness (0-0-0-0): Kicks off here after 3-1/4 len 6th of 8 (6) Late Night Talking 1030m Rosehill 3yo• (Barrier Trial) Good(4) Dec 18. Trials: (6-0-0-0). Hasn't shown up at the trials. Monitor betting moves.

ROCKBARTON FASHION (D I Atkins) 3F By Prized Icon - Lady Be Great (0-0-0-0): Kicks off here after 3/4 len win of 9 (1) Rockbarton Fashion 800m Beaumont 3yo (Barrier Trial) Heavy(8) Jan 5. Trials: (3)-1-(1). Looked good at the trials. Monitor betting moves.

AL'S ROSE (T E Ollerton) 6M By No Nay Never (USA) - Parjinka (6-0-0-0): Reared at start, Lost Ground, Keen when 10 len 9th of 10 (4) $81.00 55.5 Tinglet 1000m Tamworth Mdn Good(4) Dec 12. Slowly away when 10 len 11th of 14 (3) $101.00 53.5 Magnucat 900m Muswellbrook Mdn Soft(5) Jan 4. Record doesn't flatter. Awkwardly drawn. Not fancied.

THE DETAILS

RAIL: Out 3m from the 1000m to the 300m, cutaway applies, then true for the remainder. **TRACK:** Soft (5)

CLAN D'ORO (J A Sylvester) 3F By Bolt D'oro (USA) - Clandise (3-0-0-0): First up finished 6-1/2 len 6th of 11 (10) $12.00 56.0 Hybrid Moments 975m Swan Hill 3yo• Mdn Good(4) Nov 26. Gave good sight 1/2 len, 2-1/4 len 3rd of 5 (1) $19.00 56.0 Herbert Park 1000m Werribee 3yo Mdn Heavy(8) Dec 10. Freshened. Formerly with Ben, Will & Jd Hayes. Capable type. Improved showing at Werribee at latest. Command's respect.

UFANA (Jay Hopkins) 3F By Aylmerton - Una Fuerza (USA) (6-0-0-0): Reasonable effort 7 len 7th of 7 (2) $31.00 55.0 Golden Cow 900m Newcastle 3yo Mdn Soft(6) Dec 2. Began awkwardly when 7 len 8th of 10 (3) $151.00 55.0 Dize 1000m Gosford Mid way 3yo Mdn Good(4) Dec 31. Record doesn't flatter. This is easier but need s to find some thing extra. Rank outsider.

VINLAGO (D Riley) 5G By I Am Invincible - Lucky Lago (25-0-5-3): Keen when 6 len 8th of 13 (11) $41.00 56.0 Azayaka 1000m Muswellbrook 4yo• Mdn Good(4) Nov 7. Sound when 10 len 11th of 12 (1) $12.00 56.5 Hell Ofa Toughsun 1400m Armidale Mdn Soft(5) Nov 12. Returning from let up. On the speed but ran out of petrol quickly at Armidale last start. Has had plenty of chances. Cannot enter tain.

WAR WINGS (R E Ollerton) 5M By Warhorse (NZ) - Paulini (16-0-1-1): Failed to respond to riding when 2 len 5th of 9 (4) $15.00 54.0 Jo Jo Sun 1000m Muswellbrook Super Mdn Soft(5) Nov 24. Struck interference near 400m when 7 len 7th of 9 (8) $26.00 54.0 Somerton Sniper 1100m Armidale Super Mdn Soft(5) Dec 3. Returning from let up. Has had plenty of chances. Can't have.

6 3.10 BE A EQUUS MEMBER@MUSWELLBROOK Q3

1280m. $27,000. Maiden. Apprentices can claim.

1	23s83	WEZZA (13)	A Morgan	59	100	★3.25
2	286s	ETCHED IN TIME (5)	J Van Overmeire	58.5	93	7.00
3		BLUE AS (10)	A Bullock	57.5	90	11.00
4	7s	NAMOI RIVER (2)	H Van Der Hoven	57.5	93	21.00
5	5	PLUCKTEN (3)	Ms A Roper (a)	57.5	85	11.00
6	432s	ROCKBARTON ISLAND (9)	C Reith	57.5	92	7.00
7	3s52	ART VOLANT (1)	M Bell	56.5	96	6.00
8	88655	AAYLA SECURA (4)	G Buckley	55	90	13.00
9	0s9	AWESOME ICON (8)	Ms M Weir	55	75	51.00
10	070s8	BIGBETTERBEST (6) (h)	M Squires	55	76	51.00
11	52864	RANHITA (7)	A Gibbons	55	90	11.00
12	09s80	SISTER JOSEPHINE (12) (h)	Ms M Fitzgerald (a2)	55	77	51.00
13	78437	TIME TO TURN (11)	Ms J Duggan	55	83	9.00

WEZZA 1, Art Volant 2, Time To Turn 3, Etched In Time 4

7 3.50 BHP MT ARTHUR HANDICAP DD2 Q4

1280m. $27,000. Benchmark 58 Class 2+. Apprentices can claim.

1	9s548	OAKFIELD STORM (9) (w)	A Bullock	62.5	98	11.00
2	18s87	DEVIL'S INN (7) (dtcwb)	B Osmond (a2)	60.5	93	13.00
3	363s9	HARD TO DISMISS (12) (dw)	Ms M Fitzgerald (a2)	60.5	96	9.00
4	s4s64	NAPOLI (13) (dw)	M Bell	60	99	6.00
5	63327	FOOLISH (3) (dtcw)	A Morgan	59.5	100	★4.50
6	9s400	TOUGH CASE (5) (dtcw)	D Mc Lellan	59	87	13.00
7	s7299	PREFER TO BE READY (NZ) (t) (bv)	J Van Overmeire	58	85	17.00
8	27s08	NOBLE PLUCK (8) (w)	D Bennett (a3)	57.5	90	13.00
9	56633	SHIKANIC (11) (twb)	R Jones	57.5	95	6.00
10	08840	DEECE SCENT KISS (6) (wn)	A Gibbons	56.5	92	11.00
11	08185	ISLEDON (10) (dtcwb)	Ms A Roper (a)	56.5	99	8.00
12	18s00	MOVIN' DENMAN (1) (dw)	C Reith	55.5	89	26.00
13	70297	TWITTERSPHERE (2) (h)	B Cray	55	82	17.00

FOOLISH 1, Shikanic 2, Isledon 3, Oakfield Storm 4

OAKFIELD STORM (Ms K Buchanan) 5G By Capitalist - Stormy Lucy (USA) (14-2-2-1): Balanced up mid field when 3-1/4 len 4th of 14 (2) $19.00 60.5 Hellfire Express 1400m Tuncurry Hcp (C2) Good(4) Dec 11. Hampered at start when 6-3/4 len 8th of 11 (8) $51.00 58.5 Little Beginnings 1350m Beaumont E&G (Bm64) Soft(7) Dec 26. Went to line only fairly in similar grade at Beaumont last time out. Back to country level. Worth some thought.

DEVIES INN (T S Howlett) 5G By Bull Point - Devils Arcade (19-2-5-2): Slowly away when 9 len 8th of 9 (1) $13.00 58.5 Island Legend 1200m Gosford (Bm68) Good(4) Dec 8. Kept trying 4 len 7th of 12 (8) $21.00 56.0 Mr Wallace 1200m Tamworth Hcp (C3) Soft(5) Dec 24. Freshened. Coming off an average run in similar grade at Tamworth last time out. One for multiples.

HARD TO DISMISS (Ms K Waugh) 5M By All Too Hard - Favourite Miss (25-2-4-10): Keen when 1-1/4 len, 1len 3rd of 11 (5) $4.60 54.5 Sparks 1200m Scone (Bm66) Good(4) Jul 20. Raced wide without cover when 3 len 9th of 12 (10) $11.00 57.5 Elegant Empress 1000m Muswellbrook Hcp (C2) Soft(5) Jan 4. Battled on fairly here first up. 2kg claimer engaged. Fitter. Badly drawn. Not out of this.

NAPOLI (Joseph Burges) 9G By Snitzel - City Of Song (26-3-4-1): First up finished 2 len 6th of 9 (7) $26.00 52.0 Uncertain Terms 1000m Tuncurry (Bm68) Good(4) Dec 11. Beaten but not disgraced when 2 len 4th of 9 (7) $13.00 58.0 October Revolution 1000m Taree (Bm68) Soft(7) Jan 2. Ran home respectably at Taree last outing. Generally gets back in races. Up in distance now. Among the dangers.

FOOLISH (Ms K Waugh) 5G By Nicconi - Doesn't Make Sense (27-2-4-5): Made up late ground for 3/4 len 2nd of 10 (10) $4.80 60.5 She's Jessie 1200m Quarrabeyan (Bm58) Heavy(8) Dec 20. Reasonable effort 5 len 7th of 9 (2) $7.00 56.5 Jacenza 1300m Taree (Bm66) Soft(7) Jan 2. Went to line only fairly this level at Taree last outing. Nice gate. Take beating.

TOUGH CASE (J A Sylvester) 8G By Tough Speed (USA) - Double Unique (51-4-9-3): Took up a mid field position when 10 len 10th of 10 (4) $151.00 55.0 Annulus 1200m Newcastle (Bm68) Soft(7) Dec 2. Positioned mid field when 5 len 10th of 12 (8) $21.00 60.0 Tayla's One 1007m Taree (Bm52) Soft(6) Jan 9. On a quick back up. Coming off an average run this level at Taree at latest. Place.

PREFER TO BE READY (Jay Hopkins) 5M By Preferment (NZ) - Ready Or Not (NZ) (20-2-4-0): Sound when 4 len 9th of 14 (13) $26.00 55.0 Hellfire Express 1400m Tuncurry Hcp (C2) Good(4) Dec 11. Fair effort in 6 len 9th of 10 (6) $31.00 55.0 Lady Bass 1350m Beaumont F&M (Bm64) Soft(7) Dec 26. Coming off an average run in similar company at Beaumont last time out. Place hope.

NOBLE PLUCK (Wayne Brown) 7G By Pluck (USA) - Attunga Rose (23-2-2-1): On return from break finished 9 len 11th of 13 (5) $20.00 60.0 Obsessive Nature 1000m Warren (Bm50) Good(4) Dec 15. Slowly away when 2-1/4 len 8th of 12 (10) $21.00 59.0 Yadi's Delight 1100m Gilgandra (Bm60) Good(3) Dec 30. Ran home respectably at Gilgandra last outing. One for exotics.

SHIKANIC (S I Singleton) 5G By Nicconi - Vanishka (22-2-3-3): Raced wide without cover when 1-1/4 len, 1-1/4 len 3rd of 9 (8) $10.00 54.5 Island Legend 1200m Gosford (Bm58) Good(4) Dec 8. Keen when 1len, 1/2 len 3rd of 11 (2) $4.20 58.5 Pants On Fire 1200m Dubbo (Bm50) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Made the running but had no answer to challengers at Dubbo last time out. Can play a role.

DEECE SCENT KISS (W T Wilkes) 5M By Kiss And Make Up - Special Deece (16-2-1-3): Fair effort in 3-3/4 len 4th of 9 (3) $3.40 62.5 Igbo 850m Gympie (Bm46) Good(3) Nov 25. Kept trying 4 len 12th of 12 (1) $101.00 55.0 Elegant Empress 1000m Muswellbrook Hcp (C2) Soft(5) Jan 4. Went to line only fairly in similar grade here at latest. Worth some thought.

ISLEDON (P M Perry) 4M By Pride Of Dubai - Ida Canela (USA) (15-2-1-0): Raced three wide when 10 len 8th of 9 (9) $15.00 52.5 Point Basse 1400m Scone Hcp (C3) Good(3) Nov 13. Began awkwardly when 3 len 5th of 9 (3) $2.70 59.0 Miss Arizona 1250m Taree F&M (Bm68) Good(4) Nov 22. Returning from let up. Ran home respectably at Taree last start. Has claims.

MOVIN' DENMAN (R E Ollerton) 5G By Denman - Risque (26-3-3-3): First up finished 11 len 10th of 10 (8) $81.00 57.0 Titration 1100m Mudgee (Bm68) Soft(7) Dec 1. Battled away for 8 len 10th of 13 (10) $51.00 60.5 Obsessive Nature 1000m Warren (Bm60) Good(4) Dec 15. Freshened. Formerly with Micheal Rinkin. Ordinary in similar company at Warren last time out. Not likely.

TWITTERSPHERE (Ms K Simpkins) 6M By Press Statement - So Vital (NZ) (35-2-4-1): Kept grinding 5 len 9th of 12 (9) $151.00 55.0 Cyclone Rupert 1200m Mudgee (Bm58) Soft(7) Dec 1. Beaten but not disgraced when 5 len 7th of 11 (4) $17.00 55.0 Pants On Fire 1200m Dubbo (Bm50) Soft(6) Dec 23. Freshened. Place.

GEAR CHANGES

RACE 1: (3) Dize pre-race ear muffs on first time; (5) Sippity Sip tongue-tie on first time **RACE 3:** (6) Jamesy blinkers on first time; (11) M'Lady's Luck blinkers on first time **RACE 4:** (4) My Riviera cross-over noseband on first time **RACE 5:** (2) Smart Jazz pre-race ear muffs off first time, lugging bit on first time; (3) The Bentley gelded; (4) Beersmadefromwater blinkers off first time; (8) Cordiality pre-race ear muffs on first time, tugging bit on first time; (11) Clan D'oro pre-race ear muffs off first time **RACE 6:** (2) Etched In Time blinkers off first time, cross-over noseband off first time, tongue-tie off first time; (3) Blue As blinkers on first time, gelded; (5) Pluckten tongue-tie on first time; (11) Ranhita blinkers on again, winkers off first time; (13) Time To Turn blinkers off first time, tongue-tie off first time **RACE 7:** (6) Tough Case blinkers off again; (10) Deece Scent Kiss lugging bit on again

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1 12.28 STITCH N WEAR EMBROIDERY PLATE EQ1

1350m. $22,000. Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

	FORM	HORSE (BARRIER)	JOCKEY	WGT	RTG	ODDS
1	66674	DUSTYIAM (4) (h)	Ms M Savva	58.5	83	26.00
2	76942	LE GAGNEUR (11)	C Sutherland (a3)	58.5	91	13.00
3	s6383	SNAKESKIN (12)	J Molloy (a)	58.5	87	7.50
4	08	SPHERECRAAFT (13)	W O'Connell	58.5	85	34.00
5	6s555	DEE STORMED (15)	J Guthmann Chester	57	96	★2.50
6	28s09	TOTSPUR (1)	Ms C Eaton	57	100	26.00
7	09	WHISKY TYCOON (10)	Ms L Barr (a2)	57	70	$1.00
8	0s867	AKEED'S GIRL (6)	C Taylor	56.5	76	81.00
9	4s973	MADAM ROCK (7)	Scratched	56.5		–
10	96476	SEVERINE (9) (h)	K Yoshida	56.5	83	10.00
11	8s3	TRUST A KITTY (14)	W D'Avila	56.5	98	8.50
12	9s9	BRAVE HOSHI (5)	K H Zechner	55	70	41.00
13	80	KICKS AND GIGGLES (2)	Ms G Cartwright	55	78	31.00
14	623s0	THE LITTLE SPARROW (8)	Ms T Brooker	55	93	7.50
		EMERGENCY				
15	875s8	VAIN LUKE (3) (h)	Ms S Wilcock (a1.5)	58.5	75	101.00

DEE STORMED 1, Snakeskin 2, The Little Sparrow 3

2 1.03 WARWICK SANDSTONE PLATE EQ2

1350m. $22,000. Maiden SW. Apprentices can claim.

1	63s74	ADELATION (15)	K Yoshida	58.5	88	21.00
2	0	BETTER EXCEED (7)	Ms M Savva	58.5	78	31.00
3	8s905	MARLEE'S ZANDER (10)	Ms G Cartwright	58.5	92	26.00
4	0s269	PRIMARY WITNESS (12)	J Huxtable	58.5	82	15.00
5	9s480	TIME FOR JACK (5)	B Loy	58.5	81	21.00
6		SMOKE 'N' OAKUM (1)	C Bayliss	57	87	17.00
7	36452	SPECIALTIE (4)	E Chaves	57	97	8.50
8	8	THE MAGICIAN (6)	B Appo	57	72	26.00
9	3s373	LOVE ON DISPLAY (13)	Ms B Ainsworth	56.5	99	4.80
10	94046	RED HOT LOVE (14) (h)	N Tomizawa	56.5	84	21.00
11	387s6	SMASH IT MADDI (9)	Jai Williams (a)	56.5	93	6.50
12	6s932	UNLEASH (2) (b)	K H Zechner	56.5	100	★2.90
13	s9580	GYPSY WHITE SOCKS (8)	Ms T Brooker	55	81	34.00
14	6	SUMMER READY (16)	Scratched	55		–
		EMERGENCIES				
15	86377	RODEO LEGEND (11)	Ms T Noble (a3)	58.5	88	61.00
16	99097	ENTERPRISE FUSE (3) (h)		56.5	74	101.00

UNLEASH 1, Love On Display 2, Smash It Maddi 3, Specialtie 4

3 1.38 CAR SMADE EASY EQ3

800m. $20,000. Benchmark 70. Apprentices can claim.

1	0231s	DREAM WEAVING (1) (da)	C Sutherland (a3)	61	95	5.50
2	20096	ICED (2) (tn)	Ms G Cartwright	61	94	26.00
3	13560	TURBOART (6) (wn)	J Huxtable	60.5	78	11.00
4	s4422	POLYLITHIC (NZ) (7) (wn)	B Loy	60	93	★4.80
5	6166s	BRING ME KASH (4) (dw)	Scratched	59		–
6	21111	HOT OR NOT (5) (dn)	Scratched	59		–
7	81828	COPPER SUNSET (3) (dtcw)	N Tomizawa	55.5	86	18.00
8	7s702	AMANECER (8) (w)	Scratched	54		–

POLYLITHIC 1, Dream Weaving 2

4 2.18 WESTSIDE SHOPPING CTR PLATE EQ4

800m. $20,000. Class 1 SW. Apprentices can claim.

1	s35s1	BIG SKY COUNTRY (3)	Ms E Lang (a)	60	100	★3.20
2	2s121	CHISUM (14) (h)	P Hamblin	60	97	5.00
3	673s0	ELECTRIC (11) (w)	B Loy	60	81	21.00
4	1s704	GYPSY TRICKS (NZ) (9)	L J Miller	60	93	6.50
5	3081	NOW AND BEN (7)	J Huxtable	60	85	18.00
6	615s	BLACK COUNTRY (13)	Ms S Mc Conn (a2)	58.5	82	34.00
7	43586	ACIREMA (15)	Jai Williams (a)	58	84	12.00
8	7s702	AMANECER (4) (w)	W D'Avila	58	88	12.00
9	s9416	ELKA ELEVEN (1) (n)	Ms G Cartwright	58	82	21.00
10	1	I'M A TINY DANCER (10) (dtcwn)	K Yoshida	58	87	10.00
11	46360	STORY OF STELLA (12) (wn)	J Molloy (a)	58	81	21.00
12	240s7	BEDAUB (2)	Ms T Brooker	56.5	92	18.00
		EMERGENCIES				
13	62859	SHE'S SO VAIN (6)		58	72	$1.00
14	3274s	WHISTLIN' RULER (8)		60	84	13.00
15	8804s	INVANESS (5)	Ms S Willis (a2)	58	72	$1.00

BIG SKY COUNTRY 1, Chisum 2, Gypsy Tricks 3, I'm A Tiny Dancer 4

5 2.58 DARLING DOWNS HARNESS RACING CLUB Q1

1200m. $20,000. Benchmark 60. Apprentices can claim.

1	18435	PRIVATE BANKER (8)	Scratched	61		–
2	25237	ONE REASON (2) (n)	Ms S Champkin (a2)	60	100	4.00
3	275s5	DAD'S LAD (10) (n)	Ms L Barr (a2)	58.5	95	14.00
4	03770	BOBBY AXELROD (1) (tw)	T Leslight (a1.5)	58	76	18.00
5	71259	HEART OF MARBLE (6) (d)	J Molloy (a)	57	98	8.50
6	14123	EASY COME (9) (dwn)	Ms T Noble (a3)	56	96	14.00
7	2605s	STRYKING PRINCESS (4) (dtwh)	N Tomizawa	56	85	41.00
8	33133	SEIRYU (5) (dwn)	Ms T Brooker	55.5	94	5.50
9	65613	TATTLE (3) (dnb)	Ms G Cartwright	55.5	98	★3.20
10	21170	LICENCED AND READY (7) (dh)	Ms C Eaton	55	81	$1.00
11	61333	EYE WANTED (12)	Scratched	54		–
12	70094	WHISTLE HOFF (11) (dwn)	K H Zechner	54	92	21.00
13	58080	WHISTLIN' ARROW (13) (dtw)		54	75	$1.00

ONE REASON 1, Tattle 2, Seiryu 3, Heart Of Marble 4

PRIVATE BANKER: Scratched.

ONE REASON (P J Wallace) 4G By Capitalist - Otsanda (11-1-2-3): Slowly away when hd, 2-1/2 len 3rd of 10 (8) $4.60 58.0 Eishaa 1600m Ararat 3yo• Hcp (64) Good(3) Nov 12. Hampered near 150m. Vetted - no abnormalities when 4 len 7th of 12 (7) $5.50 61.0 Unfair Dismissal 1600m Ararat 3yo• (Bm58) Soft(6) Nov 27. Returning from let up. Previously trained by Symon Wilde. Just battled home in similar grade at Ararat last start. 2kg claimer engaged. Decent alley. Must be considered.

DAD'S LAD (M A Currie) 6G By Daunting Lad - Saran (15-1-2-5): First up finished 1-3/4 len 5th of 8 (2) $2.05 62.5 Astrophysics 1200m Dalby (C8) Soft(5) Oct 29. On return from break finished 3 len 5th of 8 (3) $6.00 60.5 Lively Lass 900m Texas (Bm65) Good(3) Dec 9. Freshened. Fair effort without threatening at Texas first up. Place hope.

BOBBY AXELROD (B Robinson) 8G By Written Tycoon - Hot Spa (54-10-3-3): Kept trying 7 len 7th of 12 (2) $41.00 58.0 Surcote 1250m Ballina E&G (Bm58) Soft(5) Nov 17. Sound when 15 len 10th of 10 (6) $61.00 59.5 Bungarribee Lad 1200m Murwillumbah E&G (Bm68) Good(3) Dec 15. Freshened. Veteran. Showed pace but gave in easily at Murwillumbah at latest. One for multiples.

HEART OF MARBLE (M A Currie) 5G By Love Conquers All - Marbled (24-2-2-2): Sound when 4-1/4 len 5th of 12 (5) $4.00 57.5 Les Girls 1000m Nanango Hcp (60) Good(3) Dec 16. Raced wide without cover when 4 len 9th of 12 (10) $9.50 56.5 Nizani 1100m Warwick (Bm62) Soft(5) Dec 28. Battled on fairly here last outing. Not out of this.

EASY COME (G Barbierato) 7G By Easy Rocking - Sequillan (51-6-5-6): Battled away gamely 1/2 hd 2nd of 9 (3) $3.60 60.0 Seductive Spur

TAB ANGLE PARK GREYHOUNDS TONIGHT TAB CODE: AG

DAILY DOUBLE 6 & 8
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 6, 7, 8
QUADDIE 5, 6, 7, 8

1 5.05 FRESH PET FOOD CO

Maiden 342m.

Bx	PS	Dog	PB	PPO
1	35324	PARAMOUNT JUDE	NBT	$4.40
2		LENNY'S HONEY	FSH	$6
3		Vacant Box		
4	24233	ONE DECISION	NBT	$3.50
5	3	KISSES FOR CLARA	FSH	$4.20
6		Vacant Box		
7	2	BEAST BEST	NBT	$7
8		NOWHERE MAN	FSH	$6
9		REFERENT POWER Res.	FSH	$7

KISSES FOR CLARA 1, Paramount Jude 2, One Decision 3, Beast Best 4

2 5.29 SKY RACING STAKE

Maiden 342m.

1	442	ASTON MAIKO	NBT	$5.50
2		BIG VINCENZ	FSH	$6
3		Vacant Box		
4	34423	KATIE LINCOLN	NBT	$4.70
5	53	TODD'S JAMES	NBT	$3.60
6		Vacant Box		
7	52421	EASY MONEY MOLLY	NBT	$7
8	32452	MONEY'S ON ME	NBT	$4
9		REFERENT POWER Res.	FSH	$7

TODD'S JAMES 1, Money's On Me 2, Aston Maiko 3, Katie Lincoln 4

3 5.52 THE DOGCAST STAKE

Juvenile 342m.

1	16463	ELWOMPLE	19.63	$5.50
2	82472	NO FINES	NBT	$10
3		Vacant Box		
4	11114	MAD MAVERICK	NBT	$3
5	84142	RUNAWAY MERV	20.15	$14
6		Vacant Box		
7	21311	PLAY IN REIGN	19.37	$2.45
8	11	LEONARDO GREY	19.77	$6
9	15637	WIRRULLA MELVY Res.	NBT	$2.2
10	15663	PARAMOUNT GIA Res.	20.27	$17

PLAY IN REIGN 1, Mad Maverick 2, No Fines 3, Elwomple 4

4 6.11 MCQUEENS TAVERN

Masters Non Penalty 342m.

1	46367	FOUL PLAY	19.67	$8
2	28248	ASTON HEBE	NBT	$7
3		Vacant Box		
4	26332	JUICY QUE	19.64	$3.60
5	46454	FANTASTIC KEARY	NBT	$3
6		Vacant Box		
7	85444	FLORA COLOSSUS	19.68	$4
8	52643	WE'RE BACK BOYS	NBT	$10

JUICY QUE 1, Fantastic Keary 2, Flora Colossus 3, Aston Hebe 4

5 6.33 TAB STAKE

Grade 6 342m.

1	36632	DESTINI FRESCO	NBT	$4.60
2	68023	BRINDLE BENNY	NBT	$4.80
3	1	ORLANDO GREY	19.74	$7
4	43253	TALENT SCOUT	NBT	$20
5	133	DEVIL ENERGY	FSH	$10
6	13962	KALUNA CHAOS	NBT	$9
7	51623	RANGE OUT	NBT	$6.50
8	61117	TILLEY SWAMP	FSTD	$3.20
9	315	DALKEY DASHER Res.	FSH	$9
10	36556	PARAMOUNT KING Res.	FSH	$33

TILLEY SWAMP 1, Destini Fresco 2, Range Out 3, Brindle Benny 4

6 6.59 FUNDRAISERS AT ANGLE PARK

Grade 6 342m.

1	41562	CALYPSO QUEEN	19.81	$6
2	12256	VELOCITY FRAMED	19.87Q	$13
3	41	ASTONS PARKLING	20.12	$5.50
4	146	SOUTHERN SUN	FSH	$12
5	15	OBSESSION	19.84	$3.60
6	27861	SHY APEX	19.86	$4.80
7	36234	SLIPPER'S DAISY	20.01	$5.80
8	61	BLUE BLOOD	19.86	$8
9	87428	TECHNOKELLI Res.	19.89	$13
10	76535	FLORRIE LINCOLN Res.	20.16	$16

SLIPPER'S DAISY 1, Obsession 2, Shy Apex 3, Aston Sparkling 4

7 7.18 @THEDOGSSA STAKE

Grade 6 342m.

1	27853	HE'S NO DIVA	NBT	$10
2	21384	DOWNTOWN ZION	20.01	$12
3	61725	NEVADA SALLY	19.88	$4.70
4	22244	PRINCESS IMOGEN	NBT	$3.90
5	22127	LADY APEX	19.83	$5.50
6	18327	NO IDEA	NBT	$4.40
7	32244	SLIPPER'S SOLO	19.79	$5.80
8	125	EMERLEY ROMAN	20.10	$16
9	81247	ASTON ZAMPA Res.	19.97	$6
10	15465	FANTASTIC FELIX Res.	FSTD	$5.80

NO IDEA 1, Nevada Sally 2, Lady Apex 3, Slipper's Solo 4

8 7.40 GREYHOUNDS AS PETS

Open 342m.

1	24114	MAGIC POPPET	19.25	$3.60
2	55654	KELLY'S MISSILE	19.37	$16
3	62361	LUCINDA GREY	19.59	$9
4	32311	MY MUM'S VALUE	19.50	$4.80
5	11133	ASTON BEL AIR	19.48	$8.50
6	11157	HOT SICY	19.34	$3.70
7	22125	EMERLEY BRUCE	19.36	$5.50
8	42315	WAY TOO SOFT	19.66	$15
9	47145	ROCAMADOUR Res.	19.52	$20

MAGIC POPPET 1, My Mum's Value 2, Emerley Bruce 3, Aston Bel Air 4

9 8.02 FOLLOW THE DOGS SSA

Grade 5 342m.

1	62514	UNIVERSAL VALUE	19.55	$5.50
2	29113	FANTASTIC TOMMY	19.37	$3
3		Vacant Box		
4	46311	BIONIC BLUES	19.65	$7
5	41348	SODAS AVILLE	19.54	$14
6		Vacant Box		
7	22111	NOT FOR PROFIT	NBT	$2.50
8	12138	BEAUTY YOU	19.61	$14
9	35766	RAGE QUIT Res.	19.57	$20
10	58364	ASTON GEORGINA Res.	NBT	$33

NOT FOR PROFIT 1, Fantastic Tommy 2, Universal Value 3, Bionic Blues 4

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Grade 5 342m.

1	21112	GET UP JIMMY	19.28	$1.30
2	12861	SLIPPER'S APPEAL	19.59	$8
3		Vacant Box		
4	24323	PUMPKIN PARTY	19.71	$12
5	12261	FRENCH FOR BREAD	19.70	$14
6		Vacant Box		
7	11614	NITRO BRITT	19.70	$4.50
8	12474	MINE MASTER	19.54	$50
9	42424	ASTON ENCANTO Res.	19.84	$33
10	31688	FAR OUT LEXI Res.	19.84	$50

GET UP JIMMY 1, Nitro Britt 2, Slipper's Appeal 3, French For Bread 4

11 8.51 WE LOVE OUR DOGS

Grade 5 342m.

1	48414	SLIPPER'S SHINE	19.73	$5
2	21125	HURRICANE CARTER	19.77	$4
3		Vacant Box		
4	48155	WELL PLAYED	19.81	$4
5	24332	ASTON MONICA	19.95	$3.85
6		Vacant Box		
7	31383	ESSAY BREAD	19.59	$5.20
8	57785	BLUE BOY KADE	FSTD	$14
9	31688	FAR OUT LEXI Res.	19.84	$20
10	37655	JILLIBY JEFF Res.	FSTD	$16

HURRICANE CARTER 1, Aston Monica 2, Slipper's Shine 3, Essay Bread 4

12 9.09 FRESH PET FOOD CO

Grade 6 530m.

1	11371	PARAMOUNT ACE	31.71	$3.60
2	51291	DISHONEST	31.01	$3.20
3		Vacant Box		
4	73121	DRIVE THE JACK	FSTD	$5.50
5	54634	TERRIFIC JANINE	NBT	$8
6		Vacant Box		
7	75313	MAC FRENZY	31.35	$4.50
8	55348	URBAN RANGER	30.83	$10

DISHONEST 1, Paramount Ace 2, Drive The Jack 3, Mac Frenzy 4

TAB ALBION PARK GREYHOUNDS TONIGHT TAB CODE: BG

DAILY DOUBLE 6 & 8
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 6, 7, 8
QUADDIE 5, 6, 7, 8

1 6.14 GARRARD'S HORSE AND HOUND

Maiden Heat 520m.

Bx	PS	Dog	PB	PPO
1	6	STELLAR LASS	NBT	$11
2	44654	BIG AND CHEESY	NBT	$8
3		Vacant Box		
4	7	JIMMY GIANT	NBT	$11
5		MORE THAN MONEY	FSH	$3.30
6		Vacant Box		
7	34732	BYE BYE DORA	NBT	$3.30
8	63242	RATHER FLASH	NBT	$3

MORE THAN MONEY 1, Rather Flash 2, Bye Bye Dora 3, Big And Cheesy 4

2 6.36 PHOTO MAN NOW AT STUD

Maiden Heat 520m.

1	64785	HAZY RANGE	NBT	$11
2		MISS RUPEE	FSH	$4
3		Vacant Box		
4	4	HENRY LOCKSMITH	NBT	$9
5	854	SIGATOKA	FSTD	$3
6		Vacant Box		
7	63654	CLARA IVANOVA	FSH	$5
8	3765	ABSOLUTION	NBT	$4.50

SIGATOKA 1, Miss Rupee 2, Absolution 3, Clara Ivanova 4

3 7.02 BOX 1 PHOTOGRAPHY

Novice Non Penalty 520m.

1	7212	BLACKJACK CAL	30.73	$2.50
2	88624	PIEMAN	NBT	$17
3	73431	FAST MONEY	31.01	$8
4	14556	ZIPPING BURGER	31.34	$13
5	47456	COMICAL HOPE	30.72	$11
6	52525	COLUMBIAN DIVA	FSTD	$5
7	43425	CIRCLE THE STORM	NBT	$8
8	62264	REGARDS TO TONY	NBT	$7

BLACKJACK CAL 1, Columbian Diva 2, Regards To Tony 3, Circle The Storm 4

4 7.21 SENNACHIE @ STUD - S. WHITE

Grade 5 710m.

1	41433	WALK ME DADDY	FSH	$7
2	28415	SHE'S IN CLOVER	41.98	$6
3		Vacant Box		
4	45543	BUCKEYE BULLET	42.68	$3.50
5		Vacant Box		
6	22456	TITANIUM GUNN	42.15	$3
7		Vacant Box		
8	42322	KUSHTI BOK	NBT	$3.50

TITANIUM GUNN 1, Buckeye Bullet 2, Kushti Bok 3, She's In Clover 4

5 7.46 NEW HAVEN STUD FARM

Grade 5 600m.

1	15535	FANCY GIFT	FSTD	$5
2	44361	STONE COLD BLUE	NBT	$4
3	35435	SPIDERBAIT	34.79	$6
4	34148	PORTMAN'S LASS	35.16	$3.30
5		Vacant Box		
6	18563	SIRIUS DIANNA	FSTD	$13
7	33152	BOGIE DOMINATOR	FSTD	$11
8	82441	ANY GIVEN SUNDAY	NBT	$8

PORTMAN'S LASS 1, Stone Cold Blue 2, Fancy Gift 3, Spiderbait 4

Watchdog says: PORTMAN'S LASS (4) Led and won 600m here Dec 14 box eight. Fell here Jan 4 when up with the leaders. Must include. STONE COLD BLUE (2) Unplaced first 600m try here Jan 4 box one when led and squeezed out down the back. Won since 431m Ipswich. Include. FANCY GIFT (1) First 600m start here. Won 605m Dubbo at lone box one start. Fair beginner. Include

6 8.12 GREYHOUNDS MAKE GREAT PETS

Grade 5 Heat 520m.

1	11255	GO SEEK IZRA	NBT	$6
2	74656	WEBLEC JEWEL	NBT	$6
3	76115	ELLIE RHEE COURT	NBT	$8
4	54781	GOLD TIP	30.17	$6
5	11443	VERY HANDY	29.94	$2.50
6	73457	JONAH LOVE	NBT	$31
7	51673	APACHE MALT	30.25	$9
8	13647	TWEED WAY	NBT	$13

VERY HANDY 1, Go Seek Izra 2, Gold Tip 3, Weblec Jewel 4

Watchdog says: VERY HANDY (5) Didn't get much room when placed this trip here Jan 4 box two. Good talent who can lead and win this one. GO SEEK IZRA (1) Unplaced this box Dec 28 got crossed early and squeezed up first turn. Stuck on okay. Capable of a quicker start. Keep safe. GOLD TIP (4) Won 520m here Jan 10 box five very slow away but strong late. Eachway

7 8.33 BORGBET TIPPING SERVICE

Grade 5 Heat 520m.

1	31861	JUDGED	30.36	$3.50
2	56123	SMART AND CLASSY	30.22	$3.50
3	34626	BY ORDER OF	NBT	$13
4	25214	IZZY NO TALK	30.19	$8
5	56421	CIRCLE THE SKY	30.88	$8
6	44224	ABOMINABLE	NBT	$11
7	13622	MINTER FORMULA	NBT	$5
8	47678	SAMSON'S DELILAH	30.14	$11

SMART AND CLASSY 1, Judged 2, Minter Formula 3, Circle The Sky 4

Watchdog says: SMART AND CLASSY (2) Second all the way this trip here Jan 8 box four when seemed to have its chance. Can lead this one. Respect. JUDGED (1) Won this trip here Jan 8 box two when tardy away but locked up to lead at first turn. Hit the line strongly. Right in it. MINTER FORMULA (7) All 13 wins at shorter trips. Can lead on best getaway. Respect.

8 8.57 SKY RACING

Grade 5 Heat 520m.

1	36416	BLUE MOON SHINE	NBT	$13
2	61237	CHILL PILL JILL	30.50	$8
3	24112	JIMMY ROO	FSH	$7
4	21345	SHIAN QUIRKY	30.07	$3.50
5	28446	WEBLEC SPARK	NBT	$8
6	12396	RINGBARK REBEL	30.31	$3.50
7	31414	WHICH TRAP	NBT	$8
8	18456	HE NOY	NBT	$21

SHIAN QUIRKY 1, Ringbark Rebel 2, Jimmy Roo 3, Which Trap 4

Watchdog says: SHIAN QUIRKY (4) Risky beginner. Has won at this 520m in quick time. Well suited to this field. Goes in everything. RINGBARK REBEL (6) Dual 520m winner. Capable of a flying start and likes wide draws. Suited to this field. Must include. JIMMY ROO (3) All 10 wins at shorter trips. Good talent but some concern of running out a strong 520m Include.

9 9.15 TAB - VENUE MODE

Mixed 3/4 520m.

1	38377	SPEEDY MINT	30.35	$11
2	32565	ZIPPING TEDESCO	30.14	$9
3		Vacant Box		
4	18332	SMART HOUDINI	30.12	$5
5	64111	ORSON APATITE	30.04	$2.50
6		Vacant Box		
7	14541	WHERE'S JOHNSON	30.07	$2.50
8	64577	GOLD FILLINGS	30.11	$26

WHERE'S JOHNSON 1, Orson Apatite 2, Smart Houdini 3, Zipping Tedesco 4

Watchdog says: WHERE'S JOHNSON (7) Can look very good as times as was the case 395m here Jan 10 box eight. No problem with this 520m. Can lead and win. ORSON APATITE (5) Won past three here and two at this 520m from inner draws. Can move along. Must include. SMART HOUDINI (4) Won 520m here Jan 11 box two when led then headed and drained another effort. Respect

10 9.36 GET IT GIZMO @ NEW HAVEN STUD

Mixed 4/5 331m.

1	66383	POLLY'S COURIER	19.20	$13
2	12216	LOCK IT IN	19.15	$5
3	74147	BAY STREET BOY	19.00	$3.30
4	47645	LOST DIGIT	19.12	$8
5		Vacant Box		
6	81653	MOMENT OF GLORY	19.24	$5
7	84387	BUTTERCUP BABE	19.14	$31
8	41216	BACK SEAT BETTY	19.14	$3.50

BAY STREET BOY 1, Back Seat Betty 2, Lock It In 3, Moment Of Glory 4

Watchdog says: BAY STREET BOY (3) Rare 331m start but has won at it in quick time. Rare go out of box three. Can lead and win. BACK SEAT BETTY (8) Likes 331m and box eight best. Forgive its recent Capalaba flop. Goes better here. Can win. LOCK IT IN (2) Likes this 331m. Capable of a quick start. Likes inner draws. Suited to this field. Can do well in this one.

TAB BALLARAT GREYHOUNDS TONIGHT TAB CODE: MG

DAILY DOUBLE 6 & 8
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 6, 7, 8
QUADDIE 5, 6, 7, 8

1 5.23 A1 SIGNAGE

Maiden (Tier 3) 390m.

Bx	PS	Dog	PB	PPO
1	56764	DARYL DOWLING	NBT	$16
2	76663	RON'S MISTAKE	NBT	$7.50
3	867	SINGING BILLY	NBT	$12
4	66725	RANGER'S GIRL	NBT	$8
5	67275	PABLO'S CALL	FSH	$9
6	87423	LARRY IN PURSUIT	NBT	$8
7	64532	ASTON CONGO	NBT	$3.40
8	32263	SMACKDOWN SHAKA	NBT	$4
9	4764	STARLIGHT JEWEL Res.	NBT	$21
10	76788	RUNAWAY DEAL Res.	NBT	$26

ASTON CONGO 1, Smackdown Shaka 2, Larry In Pursuit 3, Ranger's Girl 4

2 5.40 SJC CONCRETING

Maiden (Tier 3) 390m.

1	32432	CORNHILL RAVEN	NBT	$3.40
2	58733	FREEDOM GIRL	FSH	$21
3	23335	PROJECT MAYHEM	NBT	$10
4	53654	AMERICAN ANGEL	NBT	$16
5	63	SPICY MINX	FSH	$6.50
6	86686	MUMMA MOO SHAKA	NBT	$14
7	47	FRONT COVER	FSH	$7.50
8	737	CIRCLE THE CITY	NBT	$2.80
9	4764	STARLIGHT JEWEL Res.	NBT	$21
10	76788	RUNAWAY DEAL Res.	NBT	$26

CIRCLE THE CITY 1, Spicy Minx 2, Cornhill Raven 3, Project Mayhem 4

3 5.58 GREYHOUND ADOPTION PROGRAM

Grade 7 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	1258	THAT'S A BOODIE	FSH	$2.60
2	52245	JELLICENT BALE	NBT	$21
3	25852	CORNHILL HUSTLER	22.70	$8
4	12426	SANDY TAUPE	22.37	$7.50
5	87232	TOM TOM	NBT	$10
6	51275	VALLETTA DASH	NBT	$4.60
7	15726	LUCKY LUIZ	22.36	$6.50
8	13753	ELUSIVE BARB	NBT	$9

THAT'S A BOODIE 1, Valletta Dash 2, Lucky Luiz 3, Elusive Barb 4

4 6.24 RESTRICTED STAKE

Restricted Win (2-3 Wins) (Tier 3) 390m.

1	22887	IAN'S GRANGE	22.38	$14
2	24216	SHAKA GOES BANG	22.55	$4.60
3	18531	AEROPLANE LEXI	NBT	$12
4	18748	ASTON SHERIFF	NBT	$3.60
5	11476	SPECIAL FAITH	22.56	$6.50
6	66756	JORGY	22.29	$14
7	12664	BROOKE'S GIRL	NBT	$9
8	47423	MR. BROCKIE LEE	22.64	$4

MR. BROCKIE LEE 1, Aston Sheriff 2, Special Faith 3, Shaka Goes Bang 4

5 6.46 EUREKA CONCRETE

Restricted Win (1-2 Wins) (Tier 3) 450m.

1	66445	FLYING FARRUGIA	25.96	$2.6
2	22175	UPPER'S FLYER	NBT	$4.60
3	52432	SMOOTH RANGER	FSH	$8
4	12338	SWEET ACES	NBT	$2.50
5	18343	UNCONTESTED	NBT	$9
6	63532	ASTON FARRELL	FSTD	$8
7	11646	BELLE EXTRA	NBT	$3.60
8	217	BALLAN BRUMBY	FSTD	$4.20
9	41727	ETHANOL UNLEADED Res.	NBT	$5
10	63624	NELLIE ZOOM Res.	25.88	$10

BELLE EXTRA 1, Ballan Brumby 2, Upper's Flyer 3, Smooth Ranger 4

6 7.09 SWEET NETTY'S CATERING

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	54416	NORTHERN REGIE	22.26	$3.40
2	48765	SAM'S BOY	22.47	$10
3	18784	SPELLMAN	NBT	$8
4	37543	BUGS	NBT	$10
5	25457	CHASING THUNDER	NBT	$6.50
6	86877	I'M INDIGO	22.54	$21
7	67512	HE WILL SHINE	22.50	$3.40
8	77468	PABLO'S STAR	22.39	$10
9	81686	MY MATE MARTHA Res.	22.52	$6.50
10	63787	HAZELNUT Res.	NBT	$21

HE WILL SHINE 1, Northern Regie 2, Chasing Thunder 3, Sam's Boy 4

7 7.27 BALLARAT FUNCTION CENTRE

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 450m.

1	32528	LAMONT BALE	25.66	$7.50
2	64734	LALA TURBO	25.74	$4.60
3	23346	CRACKERJACK BERN	NBT	$8
4	43364	SUNSHINE GOLD	NBT	$9
5	44335	JACK ALAN	NBT	$14
6	57257	ZIPPING MORK	FSH	$8
7	33426	GALILEO BRAE	25.84	$14
8	46767	TORNADO TAHLIA	25.99	$2.80
9	14338	MIGHTY THANOS Res.	25.83	$5

TORNADO TAHLIA 1, Lala Turbo 2, Lamont Bale 3, Zipping Mork 4

8 7.52 PAUA OF BUDDY AT STUD

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 450m.

1	65743	XATU BALE	25.64	$3.40
2	12258	ORSON BEAUTY	NBT	$12
3	41668	MUM SAID ALBERT	25.95	$7.50
4	11166	MISS GRAVITY	FSTD	$4.60
5	54256	REDEEMER FORTUNE	25.91	$10
6	65562	JOHNNY COOL	FSH	$14
7	32681	FORBES DELIGHT	26.20	$8
8	53731	TAME THE BEAST	25.66	$4
9	14338	MIGHTY THANOS Res.	25.83	$5

XATU BALE 1, Tame The Beast 2, Mum Said Albert 3, Orson Beauty 4

9 8.18 SOUTHERN SHEET METAL

Grade 7 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	78577	KAYDEN'S CUDDLES	22.61	$7.50
2	33178	HOTSPOT HERO	NBT	$9
3	34188	MONTOSH GRANGE	22.66	$12
4	88478	BERYL THE PERIL	NBT	$12
5	74546	BROOMBRAE FLOYD	NBT	$4
6	77778	MAXINFERNO	NBT	$16
7	35455	SCOOBY GRANGE	22.58	$4.80
8	F3448	ASTON KEIKO	22.96	$3

ASTON KEIKO 1, Scooby Grange 2, Broombrae Floyd 3, Kayden's Cuddles 4

10 8.39 TUDOR ELECTRICAL

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	32235	DESERT LION	22.48	$4.60
2	14238	SUGAR BOWL ROSE	NBT	$10
3	42551	SPICY PIPER	22.32	$9
4	81587	RICH FLEX	FSH	$4.20
5	54626	BATTLE AXLE	NBT	$12
6	52622	LILY CRACKERS	NBT	$7.50
7	88785	NITRO BALE	NBT	$12
8	61317	MYRNIONG ROYALE	FSH	$4
9	12528	TINKER DAN Res.	22.86	$4
10	75464	FERNBANK FLYER Res.	22.55	$16

MYRNIONG ROYALE 1, Lily Crackers 2, Spicy Piper 3, Desert Lion 4

11 9.03 TOWN & COUNTRY LINEMARKING

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	51376	WHAT DESIRE	NBT	$4
2	35141	RAVENNA BALE	21.95	$4.60
3	23383	MR. STIRLING	22.51	$7
4	72148	ABERDEEN GRANGE	22.33	$16
5	74457	ASHLEE GIRL	FSH	$8
6	32567	SACRIFICIAL	22.74	$10
7	15283	MINNIE THE MINX	22.57	$6
8	25761	KATONI	FSH	$4.20
9	43575	CARLETON STORY Res.	22.37	$4
10	77724	REIKO CLOONEY Res.	22.46	$12

KATONI 1, Minnie The Minx 2, Ravenna Bale 3, What Desire 4

12 9.25 GRADE 5 STAKE

Grade 5 (Tier 3) 390m.

1	41744	REIKO CLEO	22.23	$3.40
2	82263	BLACK PISTOL	NBT	$14
3	88378	MILLS FOR THREE	22.38	$3.60
4	61852	MORAINE MIA	22.52	$6.50
5	12737	LOYALTY CARD	NBT	$9
6	41852	SPECIAL SIAN	22.37	$10
7	44743	LALA MISSOURI	21.97	$14
8	77931	ARGYLE EMMA	22.51	$6
9	75666	ROXYE GGNOG Res.	22.57	$12
10	72255	BANJO BLACK Res.	NBT	$16

REIKO CLEO 1, Argyle Emma 2, Mills For Three 3, Moraine Mia 4

TAB NOWRA GREYHOUNDS TONIGHT TAB CODE: SG

DAILY DOUBLE 6 & 8
EARLY QUAD 1, 2, 3, 4
TREBLE 6, 7, 8
QUADDIE 5, 6, 7, 8

1 4.42 SHOALHAVEN GREYS AS PETS

Maiden 365m.

Bx	PS	Dog	PB
1	45	CUMBRIA RICH	NBT
2	83657	BANG YOUR BUCKET	FSH
3	6226	MOUNT NEBO	NBT
4	64966	QUEEN CONSORT	FSH
5	65227	PENALTY KING	NBT
6	42563	PLEGRIDY BLUES	NBT
7	38766	SWEETE THICS	NBT
8	46	WINDS OF GEORGIA	FSH
9	58676	CHILL OUT CHICK Res.	NBT
10	377	SHY SUZY Res.	NBT

PENALTY KING 1, Winds Of Georgia 2, Cumbria Rich 3, Mount Nebo 4

2 5.02 LES THOMPSON MEM.

Maiden Heat 520m.

1	74233	SCURRYFUNGE	FSH
2	85572	RUNAWAY ETHICS	NBT
3		VACANT BOX	
4	27535	SUNSHINE GAL	FSH
5	43423	QUEEN RUBI	FSTD
6		VACANT BOX	
7		SISKA TOMMY	FSH
8		BIG ZACH	FSH

SCURRYFUNGE 1, Queen Rubi 2, Sunshine Gal 3, Siska Tommy 4

3 5.26 LES THOMPSON MEM.

Maiden Heat 520m.

1		ASTRO LEE	FSH
2		SISKA ROY	FSH
3		VACANT BOX	
4	5	SISKA LUCY	FSH
5	3	MOUNT FUJI	FSH
6		VACANT BOX	
7	633	RICKY'S RAIDERS	FSH
8	55534	ASHBY BLUTO	NBT

RICKY'S RAIDERS 1, Ashby Bluto 2, Mount Fuji 3, Astro Lee 4

4 5.49 PREMIUM TYRE SERVICE

Grade 5 (1-2 Wins) 520m.

1	53184	RAMPAGE SOLDIER	FSH
2	26276	FLASH HUNTER	FSTD
3	56153	UNIQUE SUNRISE	NBT
4	14551	WHISKEY AND DRY	29.70
5	23721	ASHBY JAZZY	30.22
6	55422	ANGRY RAIDEN	NBT
7	51638	SKEDADDLE DOZER	30.37
8	43774	ESTELLE SOLDIER	FSTD
9	56557	MOUNT TATE Res.	NBT
10	55816	OH SO SHEIKE Res.	FSH

WHISKEY AND DRY 1, Ashby Jazzy 2, Unique Sunrise 3, Estelle Soldier 4

5 6.08 OUT AND ABOUT DOG WALKING

Grade 5 630m.

1	36454	BLAME EVIE	NBT
2	54783	LIGHTNING SHARP	FSTD
3		VACANT BOX	
4	48337	HURRICANE ROCKY	FSTD
5	66434	GENTLE GEMMA	FSTD
6		VACANT BOX	
7	44746	GOULBURN GIRL	FSTD
8	12275	SAINTLY	FSTD

BLAME EVIE 1, Gentle Gemma 2, Goulburn Girl 3, Saintly 4

6 6.30 BECHINI & ASSOCIATES

Mixed 4/5 520m.

1	35382	SHORT TICKET	29.92
2	73624	WESTBURN BROCKIE	30.34
3	13214	MARVEL ZOMBIE	30.03
4	34711	ZADIE BALE	29.75
5	23122	JAKE PERALTA	NBT
6	14383	CUMBRIA MISS	30.05
7	54516	CUMBRIA KID	29.63
8	36636	SOUR CIDER WILMA	NBT

ZADIE BALE 1, Cumbria Kid 2, Short Ticket 3, Jake Peralta 4

7 6.52 GREG MYERS MEMORIAL

Non Graded 520m.

1	62532	VANCE BALE	FSH
2	12643	MACK BOY	29.60
3	42232	JIMMY BALE	NBT
4	63422	SHANGHAI SUZIE	NBT
5	54331	TARAWI ROCKY	29.45
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Start the day with a laugh

WHAT did the sushi say to the bee?
Wassabee!

MY dog isn't overweight. He's just a little husky.

Today's quiz

1. Since the Middle Ages, which letter has commonly been used in lieu of a personal signature?

2. What is a Japanese hanko?

3. Which country's flag features a red circle on a green background?

4. Who accompanies Shakespeare's Macbeth to meet the three witches?

5. What is classified using the Hornbostel-Sachs system?

6. Prize money in a golf tournament is sometimes referred to as what kind of bag?

7. In plant names, the Latin species epithet "alba" refers to what quality?

8. Marta Dusseldorp plays a protected witness in which 2023 ABC crime comedy TV show?

ANSWERS
1. X 2. A carved stamp used as a personal signature 3. Bangladesh 4. Lord Banquo 5. Musical instruments 6. Purse 7. Colour (white) 8. Bay of Fires

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TODAY'S TELEVISION

NINE

6.00 **Today.** The latest in news and current affairs.
8.30 **Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show.** Reviews, previews, interviews, highlights and opinions from the Australian Open at Melbourne Park.
9.30 **Tennis.** Australian Open. Day 2. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by Tony Jones.
2.30 **Tennis.** Australian Open. Afternoon 2. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by Roz Kelly.

6.00 **9News.**
7.00 **Tennis.** Australian Open. Night 2.
9.30 **Tennis.** Australian Open. Late-night 2.
10.30 **New Amsterdam.** (Mam, R)
11.30 **Family Law.** (Ma, R)
12.30 **#TextMeWhenYou GetHome.** (M, R)
1.30 **Australia's Top Ten Of Everything.** (PG, R)
2.30 **Global Shop.** (R)
3.00 **TV Shop.** (R)
3.30 **9News Early.**
4.00 **Today.**

SEVEN

6.00 **Sunrise.**
9.00 **The Morning Show Summer Series.** (PG)
11.30 **Seven Morning News.**
12.00 **Home And Away.** (PGav, R) Two lives hang in the balance.
2.00 **Border Security: International.** (PG, R) A traveller is put on the watch list.
2.30 **Surf Patrol.** (R) Hosted by Tom Williams.
3.00 **RSPCA Animal Rescue.** (R)
3.30 **The Chase Australia.**
4.30 **Seven News.**
5.30 **Home And Away.** (PGa)

6.05 **Cricket.** Big Bash League. Game 38. Melbourne Stars v Hobart Hurricanes. From the MCG.
9.30 **Motorway Patrol.** (PGal) A motorist is running out of petrol.
10.00 **Highway Cops.** (Ma) A dog lives up to its name.
10.30 **Crash Investigation Unit: Mt Druitt.** (PG, R) Follows investigators as they piece together events behind a car accident, from the initial call to the case being closed. Hosted by Damian Walshe-Howling.
11.00 **Motorway Patrol.** (PGal) A motorist is running out of petrol.
11.30 **Highway Cops.** (Ma) A dog lives up to its name.
12.00 **Bates Motel.** (Mav, R) Emma and Dylan bond.
1.00 **Bates Motel.** (Mv, R) Norman agrees to get help.
2.00 **Home Shopping.** (R)
4.00 **NBC Today.** News and current affairs.
5.00 **Seven Early News.**
5.30 **Sunrise.**

ABC TV

6.00 **News Breakfast.**
9.00 **ABC News Mornings.**
10.00 **Movin' To The Country.** (R)
11.00 **Antiques Roadshow.** (R)
12.00 **ABC News At Noon.**
1.00 **Vera.** (Ma, R)
2.30 **Back Roads.** (R)
3.00 **The Cook And The Chef.** (R) Maggie and Simon cook iconic dishes.
3.25 **Tenable.** (R) Presented by Warwick Davis.
4.15 **Antiques Roadshow.** (R) Hosted by Fiona Bruce.
5.15 **Love Your Garden.** Presented by Alan Titchmarsh.

6.00 **Back Roads: Lightning Ridge, NSW.** (R)
6.30 **Hard Quiz.** (PG, R)
7.00 **ABC News.** A look at the top stories of the day.
7.30 **7.30.** Presented by Laura Tingle.
8.00 **Revenge: Our Dad The Nazi Killer.** (Ma) Part 1 of 2.
9.00 **You Can't Ask That: Former Cult Members.** (Mal, R) Former cult members share their stories, from how they joined to what they were subjected to on the inside.
9.35 **Louis Theroux: Transgender Kids.** (Man, R) Louis Theroux meets transgender kids.
10.35 **ABC Late News.**
10.50 **War On Waste.** (PG, R)
11.55 **Changing Ends.** (PG, R)
12.15 **Love Your Garden.** (R) Presented by Alan Titchmarsh.
1.05 **Tenable.** (R)
1.50 **Rage.** (MA15+adhlnsv)
4.40 **The Durrells.** (PG, R)
5.30 **7.30.** (R)

SBS

6.00 WorldWatch. **9.00** Destination Flavour. (R) **9.10** Cook Up Bitesize. (R) **9.15** World's Most Secret Homes. (PG, R) **10.10** Paddington Station 24/7. (R) **11.00** Vienna: Empire, Dynasty And Dream. (PGa, R) **12.10** BBC News At Ten. **12.30** ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. **1.00** PBS News Weekend. **1.30** Al Jazeera News Second Edition. (Qatar) **2.00** Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) **2.05** Tony Robinson: WWII By Drone. (Mav, R) **3.00** Mastermind Aust. (R) **3.30** The Cook Up. (R) **4.00** The Supervet. **5.00** Motor Racing. Dakar Rally. Stage 7. Highlights.

6.00 **Mastermind Australia.** (R)
6.30 **SBS World News.**
7.30 **Jonathan Ross' Myths And Legends: Wales.** (PGa) Part 2 of 4. Jonathan Ross explores Wales, a country filled with hidden and intriguing legends.
8.25 **Isle Of Wight: Jewel Of The South.** The locals put their best foot forward for the final of the island-wide talent competition.
9.20 **The Secret Life Of Lighthouses: Muckle Flugga.** (PG, R) Part 2 of 3. Rob Bell visits the impossible lighthouse at Muckle Flugga in the Shetland Islands.
10.15 **SBS World News Late.**
10.45 **Bianca.** (MA15+a) (Italy)
11.45 **Reyka.** (MA15+av, R) (South Africa)
3.40 **Going Places With Ernie Dingo.** (R)
4.40 **Bamay.** (R)
5.00 **WorldWatch.**

Some regional areas receive SBS ONE programs 30 minutes earlier than this schedule.

TEN

6.00 The Talk. (PGa) (Series return) **7.00** Everyday Gourmet. (R) **7.30** Ent. Tonight. (R) **8.00** Farm To Fork. (R) **8.30** Good Chef Bad Chef. (R) **9.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **9.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. (PGa, R) **10.00** The Yes Experiment. (R) **10.30** Luxury Escapes. (R) **11.00** Food Trail: South Africa. (R) **11.30** My Market Kitchen. (PGl, R) **12.00** 10 News First: Midday. **1.00** Dr Phil. (PGls, R) **2.00** Jamie Oliver: Cooking For Less. (R) **3.00** Entertainment Tonight. **3.30** Farm To Fork. **4.00** Neighbours. (PGa) **4.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. (PGa) **5.00** **10 News First.**

6.30 **The Project.** The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics.
7.30 **Gladiators.** (PGv) (New Series) Everyday Aussie challengers take on the gladiators in a series of iconic events, as well as brand-new challenges.
8.55 **FBI: Most Wanted.** (Mav, R) The team pursues the suspects responsible for an explosion at an Ohio energy plant.
9.55 **FBI: Most Wanted.** (Mav, R) Remy pursues a depraved pastor and his sadistic brother who kidnapped two teenagers.
10.50 **The Project.** (R) The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics.
12.00 **The Late Show With Stephen Colbert.** (PG) Hosted by Stephen Colbert.
1.00 **Home Shopping.** (R)
4.30 **CBS Mornings.** Morning news and talk show.

9GO!

6.00 Children's Programs. **11.00** MOVIE: Pokémon: The Rise Of Darkrai. (2007) **12.45** Children's Programs. **1.00** Rich House, Poor House. **2.00** Bewitched. **2.30** Full House. **3.00** Kenan. **4.00** Family Ties. **4.30** The Addams Family. **5.00** Bewitched. **5.30** I Dream Of Jeannie. **6.00** Tennis. Australian Open. Night 2. **7.00** The Nanny. **7.30** Seinfeld. **8.30** MOVIE: Assault On Precinct 13. (2005) **10.35** Seinfeld. **11.35** The Emily Atack Show. **12.15** Under The Dome. **1.10** Love After Lockup. **2.00** I Dream Of Jeannie. **2.30** Full House. **3.00** Bakugan. **3.30** Beyblade Burst: Quad Drive. **4.00** Transformers Bumblebee: Cyberverse Adventures. **4.30** Ninjago: Dragons Rising. **5.00** Children's Programs.

7TWO

6.00 Home Shopping. **6.30** Last Chance Learners. **7.00** Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railways. **8.00** Million Dollar Minute. **9.00** Animal SOS Australia. **9.30** NBC Today. **10.30** Better Homes And Gardens Summer. **12.00** Better Homes And Gardens. **1.00** I Escaped To The Country. **2.00** Weekender. **2.30** Cities Of The Underworld. **3.30** Last Chance Learners. **4.00** RSPCA Animal Rescue. **4.30** Better Homes And Gardens. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Doc Martin. **8.30** Endeavour. **10.30** Fortitude. **11.30** Doc Martin. **12.30** RSPCA Animal Rescue. **1.00** Endeavour. **3.00** Better Homes And Gardens. **4.00** Million Dollar Minute. **5.00** It Is Written. **5.30** James Robison.

ABC TV PLUS

6.00 Children's Programs. **5.45** Hey Duggee. **5.55** Octonauts. **6.10** Pfffirates. **6.20** Bluey. **6.30** Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom. **6.40** Andy's Prehistoric Adventures. **6.55** Shaun The Sheep. **7.05** Star Wars: Young Jedi Adventures. **7.20** Bluey. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.00** Would I Lie To You? **8.30** MythBusters. **9.20** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. **10.55** Louis Theroux's LA Stories. **11.55** Would I Lie To You? **12.30** QI. **1.00** Whose Line Is It Anyway? **1.20** Whose Line Is It Anyway? **1.45** Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road. **2.30** The Story Of Film: A New Generation. **3.50** ABC News Update. **3.55** Close. **5.00** Clangers. **5.10** Kiddets. **5.25** Children's Programs.

SBS VICELAND

6.00 WorldWatch. **7.20** FBC News. **7.35** DW Global 3000. **8.10** APAC Weekly. **8.40** France 24 English News. **9.30** Small Business Secrets. **10.00** Front Up. **12.05** The Kimberley Cruise: The Full Journey. **2.15** Planet A. **3.05** Most Expensivest. **3.35** BBC News At Ten. **3.55** ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. **4.20** ABC America This Week. **5.15** PBS News Weekend. **5.45** The Joy Of Painting With Bob Ross. **6.15** The Fast History Of. **6.40** Jeopardy! **7.30** NITV News Update. **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Taskmaster. **9.25** Two Weeks To Live. **10.25** Scrubs. **11.25** Hoarders. **1.05** The Devil You Know. **1.55** Shrill. **2.25** NHK World English News. **5.00** Al Jazeera Newshour.

10 BOLD

6.00 Home Shopping. **8.00** Luxury Escapes. **8.30** All 4 Adventure. **9.30** Reel Action. **10.30** JAG. **12.30** Star Trek: Voyager. **2.30** Jake And The Fatman. **3.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** Bull. **8.30** NCIS. **10.20** NCIS: Los Angeles. **12.15** Home Shopping. **2.15** Diagnosis Murder. **4.05** JAG.

DAYLIGHT SAVING DISCLAIMER
Program times on some channels may differ in border regions due to daylight saving implementation.

9GEM

6.00 Gideon's Way. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. **8.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **8.30** Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. **9.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Day 2. **4.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Night 2. **9.30** Death In Paradise. **10.40** MOVIE: Agatha Christie's Evil Under The Sun. (1982) **1.00** Madam Secretary. **2.00** Manifest. **3.00** Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. **3.30** Seaway. **4.30** My Favorite Martian. **5.00** Animal Tales.

7MATE

6.00 NFL. NFL Playoffs. Wild Card Round. Buffalo Bills v Pittsburgh Steelers. Continued. **7.00** NFL. NFL Playoffs. Wild Card Round. Dallas Cowboys v Green Bay Packers. **10.30** NFL. NFL Playoffs. Wild Card Round. Detroit Lions v Los Angeles Rams. **2.00** Armchair Experts: NFL Edition. **3.00** Border Security: Int. **3.30** Border Security. **4.30** Storage Wars. **5.00** American Restoration. **5.30** American Pickers. **6.30** Pawn Stars. **7.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 38. Melbourne Stars v Hobart Hurricanes. **7.35** Outback Opal Hunters. **8.30** Aussie Salvage Squad. **10.30** Ax Men. **12.30** Storage Wars. **1.00** American Restoration. **1.30** Pawn Stars. **2.00** American Pickers. **3.00** Ax Men. **5.00** Jade Fever. **5.30** Jade Fever.

ABC ME

6.00 Children's Programs. **1.05** Find Me In Paris. **1.55** Horrible Histories. **2.25** Danger Mouse. **2.40** Supermoobs. **2.50** Supermoobs. **3.00** Hanazuki: Full Of Treasures. **3.15** Karma's World. **3.25** Dennis & Gnasher: Unleashed! **3.40** The Deep. **4.00** Star Wars: Young Jedi Adventures. **4.15** Bluey. **4.20** Odd Squad. **4.45** Little Lunch. **5.00** Popularity Papers. **5.25** Miraculous: Tales Of Ladybug And Cat Noir. **5.45** Hotel Transylvania. **6.00** Spooky Files. **6.25** Welcome To Cardboard City. **6.30** Operation Ouch! **7.00** Horrible Histories. **7.30** Shaun The Sheep. **7.35** The Penguins Of Madagascar. **8.00** The Legend Of Korra. **8.25** Jade Armor. **8.45** Mustangs FC. **9.10** School Of Rock. **9.35** Mythbusters "There's Your Problem!". **10.10** Rage. **11.15** Close.

SBS WORLD MOVIES

6.00 Steel Magnolias. (1989) **8.10** The 400 Blows. (1959) Jean-Pierre Léaud. **10.00** Motherhood. (2018) Christina Hendricks. **11.35** Operation Mincemeat. (2021) Colin Firth, Matthew MacFadyen. **2.00** Mr. Holmes. (2015) Ian McKellen, Laura Linney. **3.55** Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014) Roger Carel, Loràn Deutsch, Laurent Lafitte. **5.30** Sunflower. (1970) Sophia Loren, Marcello Mastroianni. **7.30** Those Happy Years. (2013) Micaela Ramazzotti, Kim Rossi Stuart, Martina Gedeck. **9.30** Gotti. (2018) John Travolta, Kelly Preston, Pruitt Taylor Vince. **11.35** The Best Offer. (2013) Geoffrey Rush, Jim Sturgess, Sylvia Hoeks. **2.00** In The Line Of Fire. (1993) Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich, Rene Russo. **4.25** Motherhood. (2018) Christina Hendricks, Anna Camp, Alysia Reiner.

10 PEACH

6.00 The Big Bang Theory. **10.30** Friends. **1.00** Two And A Half Men. **1.30** Ghosts. **3.30** The King Of Queens. **4.30** Becker. **5.30** Frasier. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** The Big Bang Theory. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **8.30** Two And A Half Men. **9.30** Two And A Half Men. **10.00** Rules Of Engagement. **11.00** Frasier. **12.00** Home Shopping. **1.30** South Park. **2.30** Rules Of Engagement. **3.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. **4.30** Home Shopping.

IMPARJA

6.00 Today. **8.30** Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. **9.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Day 2. **2.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Afternoon 2. **4.30** 9News. **5.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Night 2. **9.30** Tennis. Australian Open. Late-night 2. **10.30** New Amsterdam. **11.30** Family Law. **12.30** Destination Australia. **1.00** Global Shop. **1.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **2.30** Believer's Voice Of Victory. **3.00** Explore TV: Norfolk Island. **3.30** 9News Early. **4.00** Today.

7CENTRAL

6.00 Sunrise. **8.30** The Morning Show Summer Series. **11.00** Seven Morning News. **11.30** Home And Away. **1.30** Border Security: International. **2.00** Surf Patrol. **2.30** The Chase. **3.30** The Chase Australia. **4.30** Seven News. **5.30** Home And Away. **6.05** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 38. Melbourne Stars v Hobart Hurricanes. **9.30** Motorway Patrol. **10.00** Highway Cops. **10.30** Autopsy USA. **11.30** Bates Motel. **1.30** Home Shopping. **3.30** NBC Today. **4.30** Seven Early News. **5.00** Sunrise.

ABC NEWS

6.00 News Breakfast. **7.30** ABC News Mornings. **10.30** ABC News At Noon. **12.30** ABC News Day. **1.30** ABC News Afternoons. **3.30** ABC News Hour. **5.30** ABC National News. **6.00** ABC Evening News. **6.30** ABC News Tonight. **7.00** Australian Story. **7.30** ABC Nightly News. **7.55** Foreign Correspondent. **8.30** The World. **9.00** 7.30. **9.30** ABC Late News. **10.00** The Business. **10.30** ABC Late News. **11.00** Australian Story. **11.30** ABC Late News. **11.45** 7.30. **12.15** Camel Capers. **12.30** DW News. **12.45** ABC Late News. **1.00** Foreign Correspondent. **1.30** DW News. **2.00** The World. **2.30** DW News. **3.00** 7.30. **3.30** DW News. **3.50** Camel Capers. **4.00** Landline Summer. **4.30** News Breakfast.

NITV

6.00 Morning Programs. **9.30** Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. **10.00** Yellowstone. **11.10** Ray Charles At Salle Pleyel. **12.00** MOVIE: 20 Feet From Stardom. (2013) **1.35** Bamay. **2.05** Bamay. **2.30** The Cook Up. **3.00** Motown Magic. **3.25** The World According To Grandpa. **3.35** The Magic Canoe. **4.00** Toi Time. **4.30** Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.15** Our Stories. **5.30** Stories From The Land. **6.00** Bamay. **6.30** News. **6.40** Volcanic Odysseys. **7.30** Who Do You Think You Are? **8.30** Living Black. **9.00** MOVIE: Backroads. (1977) **10.00** MOVIE: Jason's Lyric. (1994) **12.10** Power To The People. **1.00** NITV On The Road: Barunga Festival. **4.00** On The Road. **5.00** Bamay. **5.30** Bamay.

SBS FOOD

6.00 Morning Programs. **12.30** Paul Hollywood: A Baker's Life. **1.00** Greater Mekong. **1.30** Flour Power. **2.00** My Greek Table. **2.30** United Plates Of America. **3.00** United Plates Of America. **3.30** Top Chef. **4.25** Cook Up Bitesize. **4.30** My Market Kitchen. **5.00** Everyday Gourmet. **5.30** Rick Stein's Cornwall. **6.00** Food Safari Earth. **6.30** Lidia's Kitchen. **7.00** The Cook Up. **7.30** Shane Delia's Spice Journey. **8.00** Luke Nguyen's India. **8.30** Eva Longoria: Searching For Mexico. **9.25** Destination Flavour China Bitesize. **9.30** Dine With Me UK. **10.30** The Cook Up. **11.00** Bizarre Foods. **11.30** Cook And The Chef. **12.00** Late Programs.

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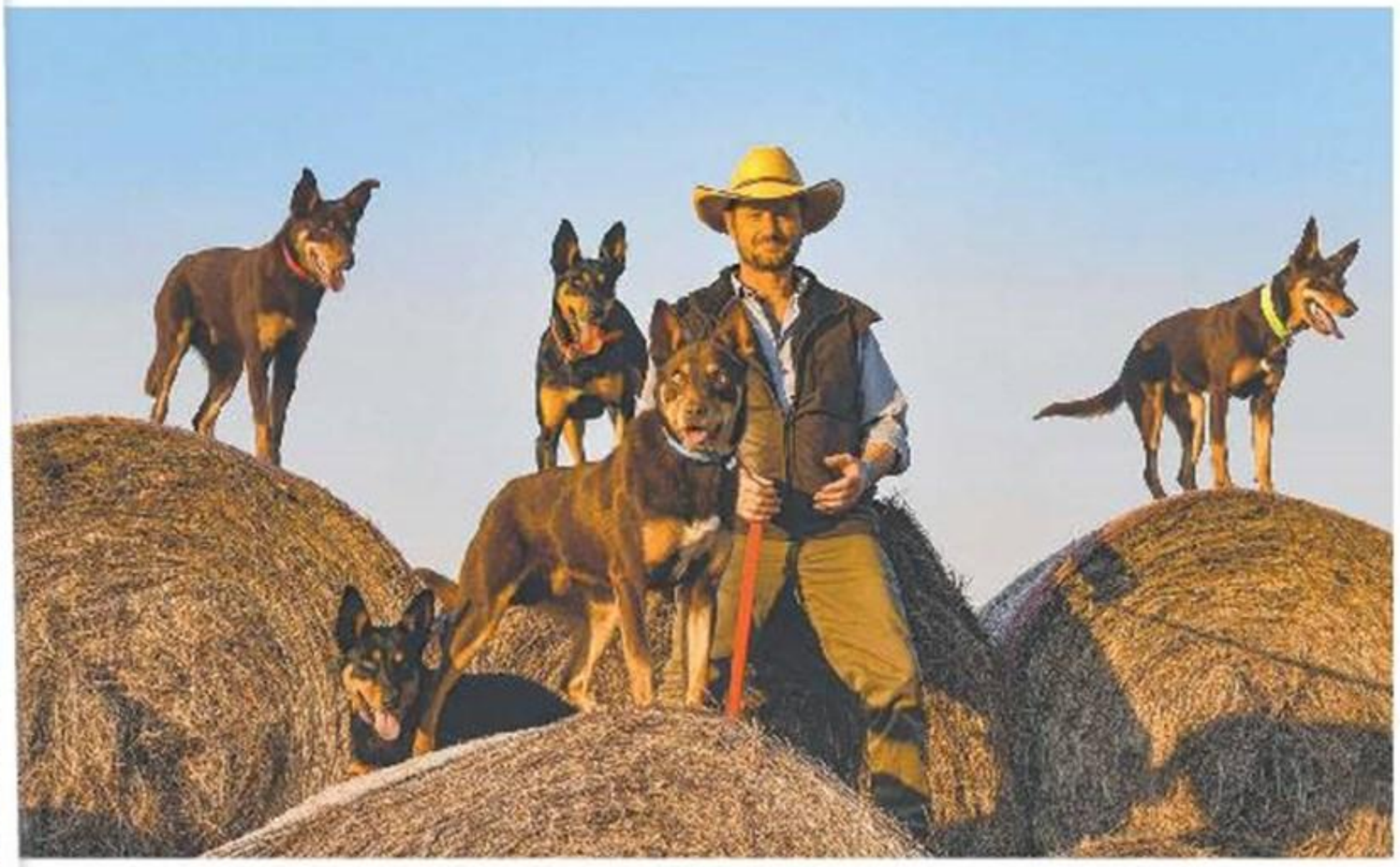


ALL IN A DAY'S HERD WORK

Muster Dogs was an unexpected TV smash hit, introducing Aussies to the cutest country canines. Now it's back for a second season – and host **LISA MILLAR** has written a book as well. In this exclusive extract she examines why so many farmers are turning back to old-fashioned puppy-power and, with the series breed changing, asks the big question: kelpies or collies?

(Main) Lisa Millar and friends; (top left) Joni Hall with Chet; (top) Joe Spicer with his kelpies; (below) Aticia Gray with Gossip. Pictures: Jesse Smith, Steve Strike

Carolyn Hudson with her pups, and below, Ash Barky. Pictures: Ben Emery, Melissa Spencer

Molly, one of our Muster Dogs Series Two border collies, is in the back of the ute on the day I visit contestant Russ Fowler and his family – along with Chief, an eight-year-old huntaway, and Ted, a four-year-old kelpie, and they're busting to get to work. By the time we get to a paddock full of ewes they're desperate to jump out and round them up.

Chief and Ted do most of the work, moving through a semicircle behind the sheep. Molly, who's less than a year old when I meet her, is still learning the trade. "It's very rewarding as they grow up and hit different milestones and watching them get something for the first time," Russ says. "I just love my dogs and they're a part of me."

His dogs all have different personalities and different traits. "They're like tools in a toolbox and you need to have lots of different tools to get the job done."

Huntaways were originally bred as farm dogs in New Zealand, and Russ says his are pretty laid-back. "They're quite happy to sit there and enjoy the day or they're quite happy to get in there and work. In heavily undulating country they're really good because they stand up on the top of the hill and they bark and the echo of the bark pushes the animals away from them. Hence, the name huntaway," Russ explains.

One of the benefits of working with dogs is that on steep hills you don't need to use a motorbike or a buggy and so you're avoiding occupational health and safety risks. Cutting down on the use of machinery has been one of the prime reasons many farmers are turning to working dogs. It's safer and cheaper and the stock are calmer.

Aticia Grey, from series one of Muster Dogs, found the transition to working with dogs so worthwhile that she'll readily say she'd rather work with them than a bigger team of people. "As soon as you add machinery to the equation you're adding a lot more people around that you need to manage and I really like the idea of it just being a couple of us working, getting the job done with a couple of teams of working dogs," she says.

It might take a little longer with dogs and she's OK with slowing the process down when she heads out to muster, especially when she sees the cost benefit.

"You don't have the cost of machinery, and diesel is not going to get any cheaper. So if we can pull our labour (costs) and our reliance on heavy machinery down, I really think it's going to improve our lifestyle; it's just going to make it more enjoyable."

There's no way of knowing exactly how many working dogs there are in Australia. A report for government organisation AgriFutures puts the number between 270,000 and 300,000.

The same study revealed that dogs on sheep farms typically work for five hours a day, five days a week during the peak period of shearing, and they typically cover more than 40 kilometres a day.

The researchers estimated that you get a 5.2-fold return on your investment in a good working dog. Many of the farmers and dog handlers I've spoken to believe a good dog is worth a couple of workers.

CJ Scotney from series one remembers the first time she watched one man on his quad bike moving 1500 head of cattle with just his dogs.

"We were gobsmacked," she says, explaining the moment she and her husband, Joe, decided that's how they wanted to run their property as well.

"The cattle were calm, the manager on his bike was calm, there was just no hoo-haa about it." There's also the loyalty and companionship that working dogs offer their masters – something that has been a constant on the land.

"They pick up on all the little things, whether you're having a good day or a bad day," Russ Fowler says.

There are plenty of different farm dog breeds, but it's kelpies and collies that make up the

(Above) Zoe Miller works with her dogs, and (below) filming Muster Dogs season two with a drone. Pictures: Jesse Smith, Melissa Spencer

Buddy makes friends, and (above) Russ Fowler's son Charlie with Molly. Pictures: Ben Emery, Brad Smith

majority of working dogs in Australia. Both breeds are intelligent, energetic and independent.

The first border collies were imported to Australia in 1900 from farms along the border of England and Scotland. Kelpies have been around for a little longer, and the Victorian town of Casterton, population 1700, is considered their birthplace.

Breeder, trainer and historian Nancy Withers tells the story of a young Irish bloke called Jack Gleeson, who in 1871 swapped a horse for a black and tan female pup he named Kelpie. The little dog came from the litter of a couple of different breeds of collies from Scotland and was the start of this new breed of Australian working dog.

The pups in series one were all kelpies, whereas in series two they were border collies. So which is the better breed?

Our Muster Dogs trainer Neil McDonald puts it like this: "What's better, a Holden or a Ford? Well, it doesn't matter which one it is, but it's the model. They used to say you didn't want a car made on a Monday morning or a Friday afternoon because on a Monday morning the workers might be hungover and on a Friday they're thinking about knocking off for the weekend, so you wanted the model made on a Wednesday. It's not whether they're kelpies or collies, it's the family line within the breed that's important."

Regardless, Neil is less interested in where the dogs are from and more interested in where they're going. "A lot of effort and energy and ideas and talk go into the dogs' origins. I reckon that same amount of effort needs to go into 'How do we get these dogs going better?' People need to learn to talk to their dogs, not about their dogs."

It's entertaining listening to the breeders and farmers describe the differences between collies and kelpies. Rob Tuncks turns to a car analogy as well. "If your car is basically neat, all your tools are in the appropriate places and if you haven't got stuff on the floor and empty cans rolling around, you're probably more of a collie person. If your tools are sort of half-arsed and you cannot use the brake properly because there are beer cans getting stuck under the pedals, then you're probably more of a kelpie person. If you're like, 'She'll be right, just do it your way, don't cause the stock any trouble, get to the right spots, don't bite, bark at the right times, just do it your way and I'll leave you alone,' then that's a kelpie.

"So, kelpies generally don't like being told what to do very much. Whereas collies, you can boss them around, you can move them left, move them right, move them in; they love being told what to do. Some days I am a collie person and some days kelpie – that's why I have both."

This is an edited extract from *Muster Dogs: From Pups to Pros* by Lisa Millar, published by HarperCollins on January 17, 2024. Series two of *Muster Dogs* started on Sunday, January 14, at 7.30pm on ABC TV and ABC iview.

WHEN ART IMITATES LIFE

Real faces

TRENT DALTON'S BEST-SELLING BOOK HAS OPENED AS A NETFLIX SERIES AND WE MEET SOME OF ITS CHARACTERS

Andrew Rule

If crime didn't pay, there wouldn't be any – but that isn't good career advice. The downside of the dark side is that the risks are high and the superannuation lousy: Old crooks end up dead or dead broke. Few get famous, even fewer live to see themselves in books or on the screen.

Gary Lawrence isn't famous. But the old-time hard man this week gets to see a "factional" version of himself played by one of the most dashing Australian actors to crack Hollywood, Travis Fimmel.

There was a time when Lawrence reckoned he wouldn't make 30, let alone 80. He was renowned for serving the most time in Brisbane's Boggo Road Jail without actually being convicted of murder.

Lawrence was a rare creature: A genuinely staunch crook who'd never struck a deal with police to stitch up another offender. But it wasn't until a character based on him featured in the best-selling book Boy Swallows Universe that the wider world glimpsed the streetfighter with the soft heart.

The book's author, journalist Trent Dalton, drew on a cast of characters from a childhood spent in the suburban badlands among losers and boozers, addicts and dealers and killers. His genius is to sieve gold dust and silver linings from dark clouds and desperation.

Where others, even his own brothers, might recall more misery than magic, Dalton the unsinkable optimist weaves a mesmerising tale that is part love story, part fantasy and part homage to flawed heroes.

One is his mother, named "Frankie Bell" in the new Netflix series based on his book. One is convicted murderer and serial jail escapee "Slim" Halliday, the "Houdini of Boggo Road", who babysat the Dalton kids and is played by Bryan Brown in the series.

One is his natural father Noel Dalton, the "Robert Bell" played so powerfully by Simon Baker that Trent was moved to tears about the alcoholic no-hoper who gave him hope through a love of books and reading. But the most powerful and appealing adult figure in the screen version is Fimmel's character "Lyle Orlik", based squarely on Lawrence who, in real life, shielded Dalton's mother from bad choices and treated her and her small boys with rare kindness. On paper, Lawrence was just another recidivist crook. But he won respect. Even in the snakepit of prison, both officers and inmates trusted him as a straight shooter. As head cook, he was unofficial "king of Boggo Road".

One jail mate, gambler Robert North, recalls the long-ago Christmas Day when a young prisoner, a red-headed tearaway named Dean King, was turning 21. Maybe the kid reminded Lawrence of his younger self. He made him a birthday cake and the prisoners in his yard signed a card and sang: "Happy Birthday".

North, who knows Lawrence well, says it was one of the kindest acts he saw in prison, one that ultimately helped steer young King away from crime and into a productive life.

Outside, Lawrence amazed the few people willing to employ a tattooed, hard-swearing jailbird because he was a hard worker, trustworthy and capable – apart from occasionally pulling a robbery during his lunch break. It was Lawrence who set up the Dalton boys with a big playhouse, complete with an air conditioner, behind the house he got their mother in Ipswich, near Brisbane. And it was Lawrence the robber turned drug-dealer – and self-taught builder – who made an underground hideaway beneath the bathroom with a disguised entrance in the floor of a cupboard. The adult Trent Dalton later re-imagined this secret bunker as an escape hatch for his childhood alter-ego, Eli Bell, the wildly imaginative boy whose story of survival is the heart of the story.

It was only later, as a talented, street-smart young reporter mixing with lawyers, police and seasoned crime writers that Dalton realised how much he knew about who was who in the criminal zoo.

It reinforced how well Lawrence had steered Dalton's mother and her kids through the sinister scene swirling around them. Gary Lawrence's offhand decency was the most surprising thing about him. He had gangster attributes, too. Especially violence but towards other violent men, not women and children.

It was after Lawrence went back to jail that the Dalton kids' world turned dark: their mother succumbed to a heroin habit that Lawrence had helped keep at bay, and she fell in with parasites and predators. She ended in jail herself, which might have saved her life.

The most searing scene in the book is one straight from the memory of a terrified child: it is of a bad man dragging his mother by the hair and pushing her face into a dish of dog food. There are many flights of fancy in Boy Swallows Universe but that's not one of them. It's from the life that Dalton escaped but cannot forget.

Unsaid is that nothing like that would have happened if Gary Lawrence had still been around. His roughcast chivalry underpins the story. It explains why a robber with a head like a robber's dog (the real

Felix Cameron as Eli Bell, the fictional character based on author Trent Dalton. Pictures: Netflix

Author Trent Dalton wrote about hardman crook Gary Lawrence (above) who is played by Travis Fimmel.

SPOTLIGHT Insider

behind that universe

Travis Fimmel as Lyle Orlik, Phoebe Tonkin as Frances Bell and (below) Tonkin with Felix Cameron as Eli Bell.

Lawrence) gets to be played (as "Lyle Orlik") by Travis Fimmel, who was the world's most wanted male model before he took up acting, notably as the Viking chief Ragnar Lothbrok in the television series Vikings.

Lawrence, by contrast, was a twice-orphaned street kid, teenage wharf labourer, apprentice jockey and bloodhouse boxer who did his weight training in jail, not in fashionable gyms frequented by talent scouts. He never caught a break himself, but when he met Dalton's mother while visiting a friend in a women's refuge it was lucky for her.

Now, a lifetime later, a fictionalised and modified version of their love story hits the screen. It raises the question of who the real Gary Lawrence is – or was.

Track Lawrence to his retirement hideaway, a farm outside Gympie in Queensland, and he tells the story of a childhood of Dickensian deprivation as casually the average pensioner might talk about gardening. It goes roughly like this. Gary John Cook was born in 1943 in Brisbane Women's Hospital to a 21-year-old woman. He didn't know her full name for another 50 years. He never knew who his father was, only that his mother, too young and too poor to raise him, "gave me to the neighbour."

He thinks the neighbour who fostered him was Gladys Lawrence, youngest of a family who ran a picture theatre in the Brisbane seaside suburb of Brighton. He can't remember her because she died tragically early.

As far back as Gary remembers, he was cared for by "the old lady", Gladys's mother Fran Lawrence, a Salvation Army stalwart. She hid him in drawers and cupboards to stop the authorities taking him.

After their daughter's death, Granny Lawrence and her husband moved to Caboolture, where the old man was a "bottleo" collecting empty bottles until he was hit by a train at a level crossing.

The kid ran wild, dodging school and hiding in the bush when truant officers and police came for him. Granny Lawrence couldn't legally adopt him because she was too old. Faced with being sent to Tasmania to another member of the Lawrence family, Gary ran away to Brisbane. Which is how he came to be living on his wits, squatting in a condemned railway building, at the age of 10. He met another tough kid, Doug Meredith, who'd run away from a hated stepfather. It was the start of a lifelong friendship on the wrong side of the law. The boys watched each other's backs. Lawrence was short but unusually strong and willing to work. He passed himself off as 15 and toiled as a day labourer at the Hamilton Cold Store on the waterfront, loading ships. At 14, he started working around racing stables.

He rode a few winners on country tracks. He liked horses but also liked to punch trainers or other jockeys who crossed him.

Lawrence trained in the same gym as the legendary fighter Tony Mundine and was a sparring partner for Tony Ryder, later Australian professional flyweight champ. But he couldn't stay light enough to keep race riding after 1963, when he turned 20. When rising weight took him from the saddle, it was another crossroad taking him towards trouble.

"I was meeting the wrong kind of people," he says. He did his first jail in 1964 on a minor charge followed by a monster sentence, over a savage beating, that took out most of the 1970s. He spent more time inside prison than outside until 2001, when he was 58. In jail, he learned to read slowly, mumbling his way through pulp westerns, and to cook fast.

Between jail sentences, he often worked for roofing contractors who loved his work ethic. He also acted as a bodyguard for a bent Brisbane businessman, Malcolm McGregor-Lowndes. Apart from bird smuggling, McGregor-Lowndes was a race fixer caught up in the Fine Cotton ring-in scandal of 1984 along with fellow businessman Robert North.

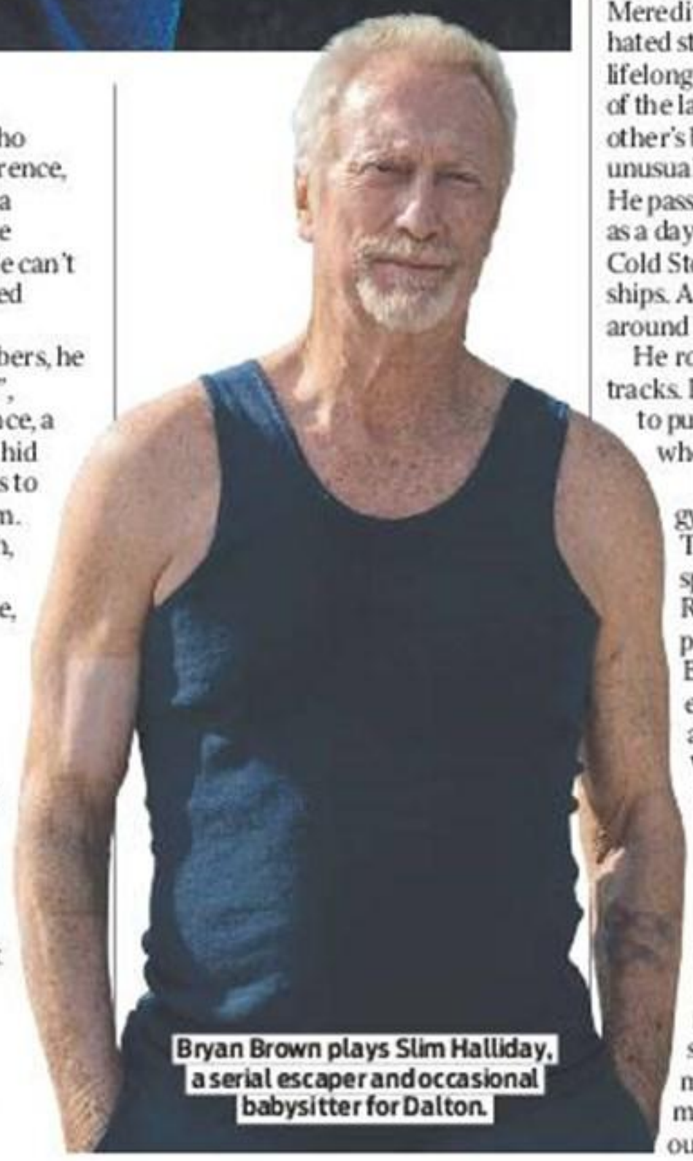
The affable North helped Lawrence get roofing work on the outside, and Lawrence returned the favour in prison by getting North a coveted kitchen job.

By the time Lawrence finished his third big "lagging" he was nearly 60 and knew it was the time to "get out of Dodge".

He'd been a human wrecking ball, all muscle and reflex. "Now I'm just an old fat (expletive)," he says contentedly.

He hasn't seen Trent in person for years but they talk on the phone a lot. He made a trip to Brisbane to see the stage production of Boy Swallows Universe and has been looking forward to the Netflix version.

His character Lyle Orlik "got his head cut off but that didn't happen to me," says the great survivor, laughing. He's not big on sentiment, but he's proud that the little boy who loved him and called him "Dad" is such a success.



Bryan Brown plays Slim Halliday, a serial escaper and occasional babysitter for Dalton.

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With Mercury (ideas) now moving through Capricorn, it's an opportunity to find solutions to recently identified problems. And in our media driven world, it's worth remembering that the best answers aren't always found by an online search. As the tech industry showcases its latest developments at the start of the CES trade show, expect to see innovative advances in the world of AI and automatons. But nothing beats human heart-to-heart communication. And that's what the cosmos encourages today.

ARIES MAR 21–APR 20
No matter which direction you turn, or how much you achieve, you're facing more and more demands on your time. It's hard to keep track of the promises and commitments you need to honour (let alone find the energy to invest in looking after your own life and relationships). How are you meant to know what to prioritise when you've got wrongs to right and people's needs to look after? Today brings a chance to simplify things. Something can be dropped from your to-do list.

LEO JUL 24–AUG 23
When we're caught up in a confusing situation it's hard to envisage the ideal way to resolve it. But are you so embroiled in a need to avoid a particular issue (or relationship) that you'll settle for anything that seems better than it is right now? Yes, there are times when we have to shrug our shoulders, and deal with whatever life brings our way. But the current cosmic climate is offering you options. Don't lose sight of your standards today. Despite the uncertainty you're experiencing, you're close to attaining a goal.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23–DEC 21
It doesn't matter how convincingly someone explains something, we only hear what we want to hear and believe what we want to believe. And even if something is staring us in the face, we only see what we want to see. And since we tend to be much better at talking than listening, it's no wonder there's so much misunderstanding and miscommunication. Which means we learn to expect disharmony, even when we share common ground. Don't distrust the opportunity coming your way.

TAURUS APR 21–MAY 21
Although a positive attitude can get you a long way, even the most optimistic person in the world is going to find some things impossible. With the best will in the world, in some situations, certain goals are simply unattainable. I'm not mentioning this to dishearten you. Quite the opposite. It's just that past disappointments might tempt you to underestimate the possibility now being presented to you. You really can be confident today.

VIRGO AUG 24–SEP 23
Everything about life seems circular. The Moon circles around our planet. Our planet circles around the Sun. And the Sun rotates around its axis. And our minds seem to follow this same pattern. The cogs keep turning, and activating more cogs, which keep spinning. Your mind has been in a whirl recently. With so much going on, it's no wonder you're feeling a bit dizzy. Today, with your ruler, Mercury, settling into Capricorn, something starts making sense. You'll find once that happens, you'll regain a sense of balance.

CAPRICORN DEC 22–JAN 20
If we scratch beneath any surface, we find something waiting to be uncovered. Even a simple, random remark can be hiding emotions. If you're going to make the decision you need to make right now, there are certain issues to be taken into consideration. Otherwise, you might let your expectations inform your judgement and jump to the wrong conclusion. With Mercury (intellect) in your sign, you can carefully weigh up all the factors and come to a decision that has a powerfully positive effect on your future.

GEMINI MAY 22–JUN 22
We're going to test your mindreading skills. If you take a moment to close your eyes and relax, can you tell what the rest of your prediction is going to say? Of course you can't! There's no way you can know unless you read it! In fact, your forecast is going to tell you that you need to open your eyes and take a good look at an issue you'd prefer to ignore. Your ruler, Mercury, in earthy Capricorn, brings the courage and the clarity to see the path you need to follow to bring success your way.

LIBRA SEP 24–OCT 23
Although you can see a logical way to get to where you want to go, it doesn't look very enticing. Either it's going to be more expensive than you can afford. Or it involves crossing a particularly challenging terrain. You're hesitating, in the hope of discovering an alternative route. Yet, in your heart of hearts, you know it's going to be impossible to find one. So, your best option is to seek assistance. There are people around who can help smooth the way ahead. Explaining your needs takes courage.

AQUARIUS JAN 21–FEB 19
Think back to when you were at school. Every new term brought harder lessons to learn. Even though those days might be long over, we're all still students at the school of life; and a new year brings a different set of challenges. It doesn't seem to get any easier. As soon as we've got to grips with something, something else pops up. And if we don't learn the lesson, it re-presents itself, in a different format, until we do. With Mercury in a new sector of the sky, you've got the ability to look at an old problem and deal with it.

CANCER JUN 23–JUL 23
I was recently watching a documentary about parrots. Their ability to imitate made me think about how humans share that skill. We copy words, people and ideas. Sometimes, when we try out different ways of being, or different viewpoints, we sound as if we don't know what's going on. Then, we learn from other folk's reactions, and adapt. Mimicry is part of our developmental process. Yet there are times when we appear to be communicating, but the words and actions are devoid of real meaning.

SCORPIO OCT 24–NOV 22
Imagine how you'd respond if everything started falling apart? Or how you'd manage if life only presented you with challenges, awkward people and impossible scenarios? If you want to picture a never-ending litany of worst-case scenarios, no-one's going to stop you. But I'm hoping you see how preposterous that notion is. Life on planet Earth might be crazy and unpredictable. But don't let your imagination take you down that unhelpful path. Instead, focus on how you can cope with an improvement.

PISCES FEB 20–MAR 20
As a chess-lover, I'm delighted by the resurgence in its popularity. With all the apps and online games, it's become accessible to anyone who likes pushing their strategic thinking to new levels. Yet satisfying though this kind of gameplay can be, it's only useful in certain scenarios. You're dealing with a situation that suits your emotional intelligence. And with Mercury (intellect) now in earthy Capricorn, your sensitivity, kindness and generosity are more effective than ever.

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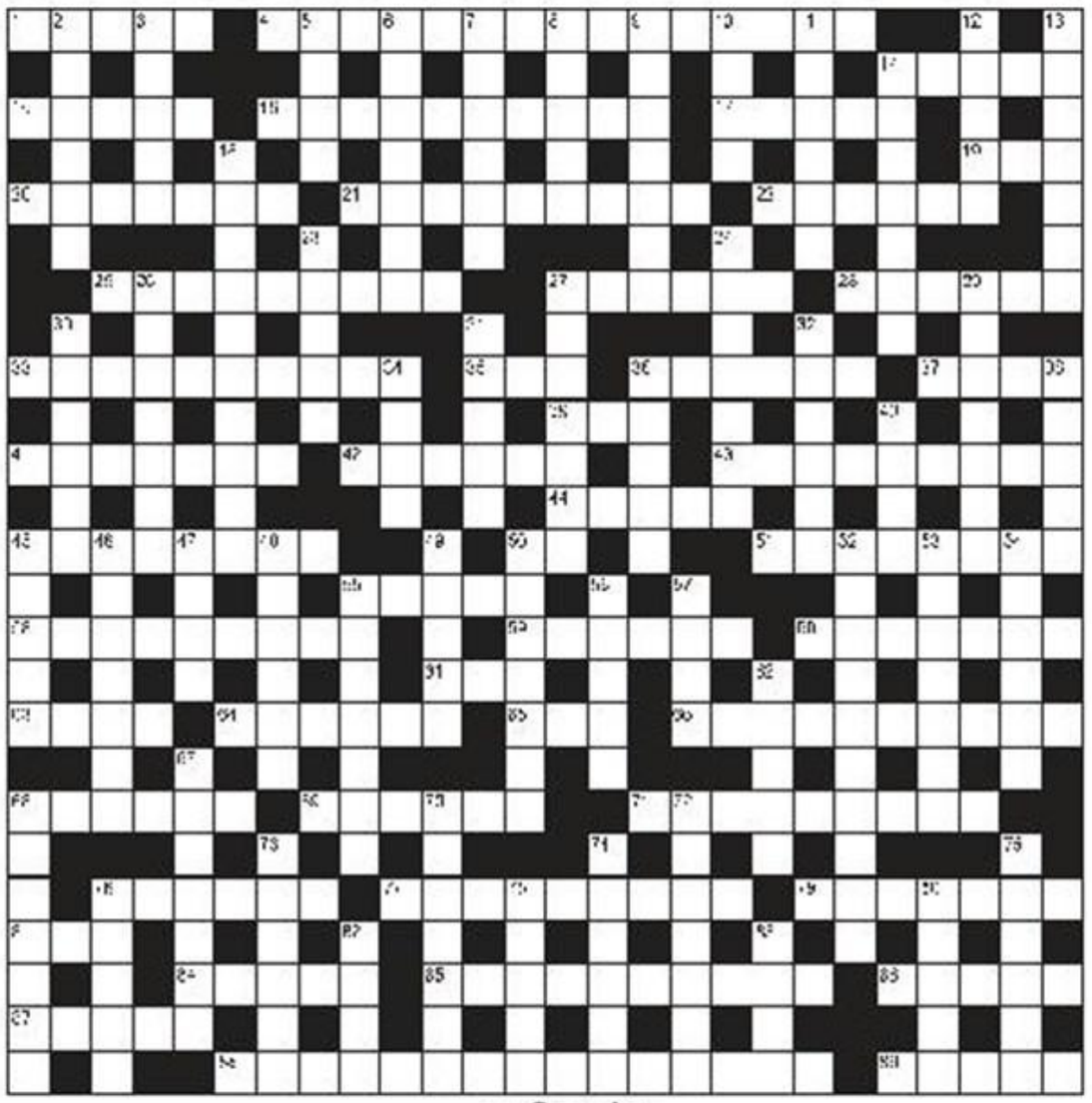

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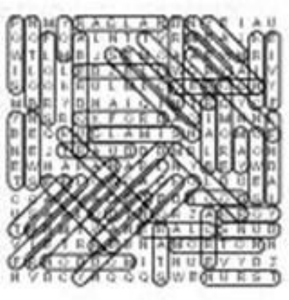

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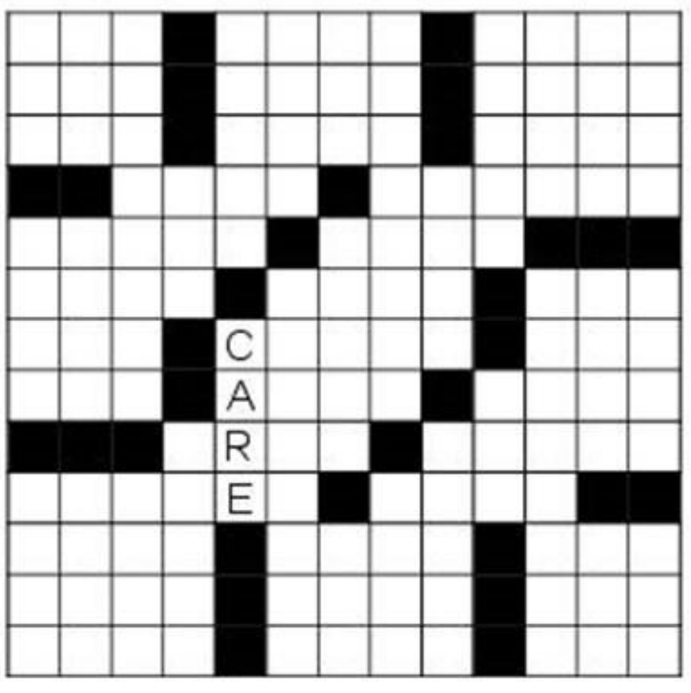
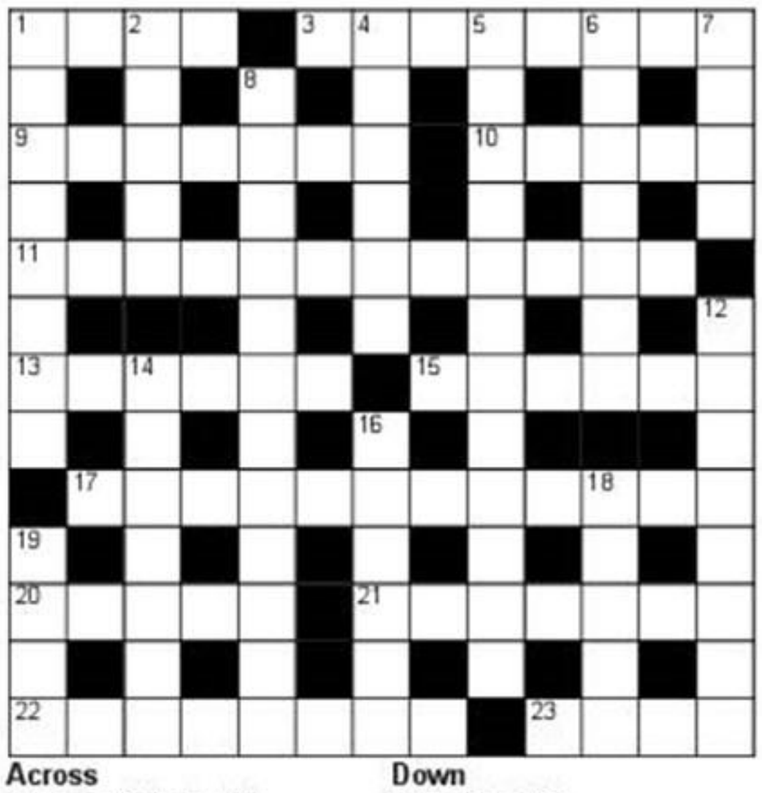


Saturday

ACROSS: 1. Indigo, 4. Residence, 9. Mass, 11. Pea, 12. Ago, 13. Past, 15. Brunt, 16. Sac, 17. Oath, 19. Pour, 21. Hard, 23. Vie, 24. Tariff, 26. Edge, 27. Hod, 28. Far, 30. Some, 31. Reign, 32. Vinyl, 34. Vying, 35. Shed, 36. Were, 38. Idle, 39. Undo, 40. Hassle, 44. Nun, 45. Keenly, 46. Lots, 48. Tote, 50. Sparse, 51. Mac, 53. Retort, 57. Gala, 58. Aura, 59. Fact, 61. Thru, 63. Carat, 65. Gooey, 67. Amble, 68. Epic, 69. For, 70. Axe, 71. Lour, 72. Bronco, 75. Rot, 76. Reel, 79. Iris, 81. Onyx, 82. Ova, 83. Muted, 84. Stab, 85. Its, 86. Lei, 87. Gift, 88. Swordplay, 89. Cheque.

DOWN: 1. Impoverish, 2. Into, 3. Opera, 4. Rabbi, 5. Squiffy, 6. Dither, 7. Nosegay, 8. Each, 9. Moor, 10. Schedule, 14. Specious, 18. Adhere, 20. Utensil, 22. Agog, 25. Rave, 29. Alien, 30. Snooker, 33. Idiot, 34. Vaunt, 36. Wrest, 37. Ruler, 41. Alpha, 42. Strut, 43. Elegiac, 47. Smart, 49. Orate, 52. Cargo, 54. Equator, 55. Outburst, 56. Times table, 59. For a song, 60. Cheery, 62. Hymn, 63. Cite, 64. Avocado, 66. Orbital, 69. Framed, 73. Oddly, 74. Civic, 77. Exit, 78. Loss, 80. Isle.

13x13 QUICK



Across
1. Type of window (4)
3. Tenses up (8)
9. Carry out (3,4)
10. Repeatedly (5)
11. Secret (12)
13. Unsophisticated (6)
15. Golf club (6)
17. Polite (4-8)
20. Dagger (5)
21. Relating to the heart (7)
22. Cancelling out (8)
23. Pleads (4)

Down
1. Grabbed (8)
2. Smooth, glossy fabric (5)
4. Cared for (6)
5. Leading contenders (5-7)
6. Pull out (7)
7. Founder (4)
8. Most lively (12)
12. Foretells (8)
14. Staggering (7)
16. Bird of prey (6)
18. Elevate (5)
19. Pelt, hide (4)

Saturday
Across: 1. Loquacious 7. Image 8. Collude 10. Sweating 11. Clad 13. Captor 15. Rely on 17. Able 18. Readable 21. Stature 22. Trite 23. Decelerate.
Down: 1. Leave 2. Question 3. Ascend 4. Idle 5. Usually 6. First-class 9. Endangered 12. Vendetta 14. Pulsate 16. Recede 19. Bribe 20. Nude.

5x5

	I		T	
U		L		T
	L		N	
T		P		E
	T		A	

Insert the missing letters to make five words reading across and five reading down.

Note: more than one solution may be possible

Saturday

P	A	S	T	E
A	L	P	H	A
R	O	L	E	S
C	H	I	M	E
H	A	T	E	S

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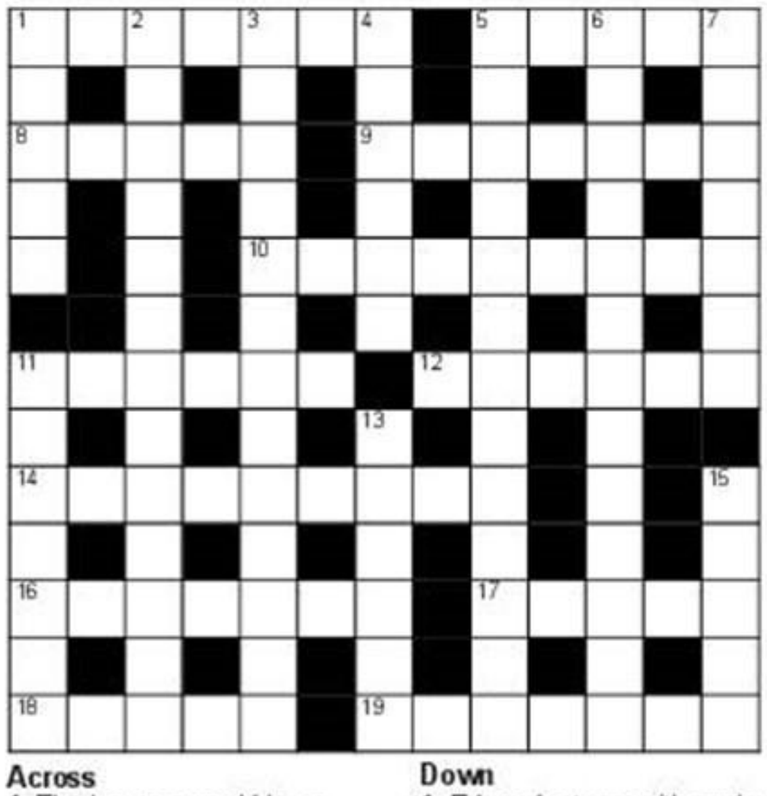


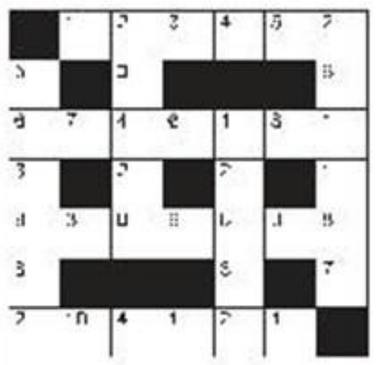
Across
1. The bouncer could be a donor, ma ... (7)
5. ... and an addict from Colorado, perhaps (5)
8. Chivalrous, Carlo departed the Hindu Festival (5)
9. Cleaned scorchingly quick? (7)
10. It is over the top when it comes to cricket and devastating (3,3,3)
11. A nagging way to mine for coal (4,2)
12. Returning with a cigarette iron, Bob made social blunders (6)
14. The printer ink replacer was a fly-by-nighter and party goer (3,6)
16. Sounds like the goats' coats were to be cut down (7)
17. The weird serve curves away (5)
18. Be nonchalant about a quiet time on the mat (5)
19. Ah, kilts, perhaps and something to top it off (4,3)

Down
1. Edward returns with sunburn culprit in spite of having cover (5)
2. Corey chatters about some bird (13)
3. Hot water in mug could be delicious (13)
4. Delicacy of character needed for pleasant town, we hear (6)
5. Got there but was late (4,2,7)
6. Could be several pages or just bits of the sentence (5,2,6)
7. Dancer gets 10 from France from two quarters which are base numbers (7)
11. Something to wear on retirement (7)
13. At a standstill, but you can remain little sibling so to speak (6)
15. Doesn't own pheasants without apes (5)

Saturday
Across: 2. Illustrator, 7. Water pistol, 9. Servile, 10. Repot, 11. George, 12. Ashore, 15. Diary, 17. Refresh, 19. In cold blood, 20. Fundamental.
Down: 1. Kiwis, 2. Interrogation, 3. Lurking, 4. Shires, 5. Rater, 6. Telephone poll, 8. Titre, 11. Giddy, 13. Safe bet, 14. Grille, 16. Yucca, 18. Hides.

CLUELESS CROSSWORD

15/1



Numbers have been substituted for letters. Use the letter(s) given to work out the rest of the puzzle.

2 = T

Saturday

WordWheel

Insert the missing letter to make an eight-letter word reading either clockwise or anticlockwise.

Saturday: TOMAHAWK

Vocabularian

Choose the correct definition

Berison
a) Blessing
b) Shared thoughts
c) Monks' prayer service

Cateran
a) Mountain stream
b) Steamship engineer
c) Brigand

Saturday
Coif: head covering
Amplitude: vastness

TARGET

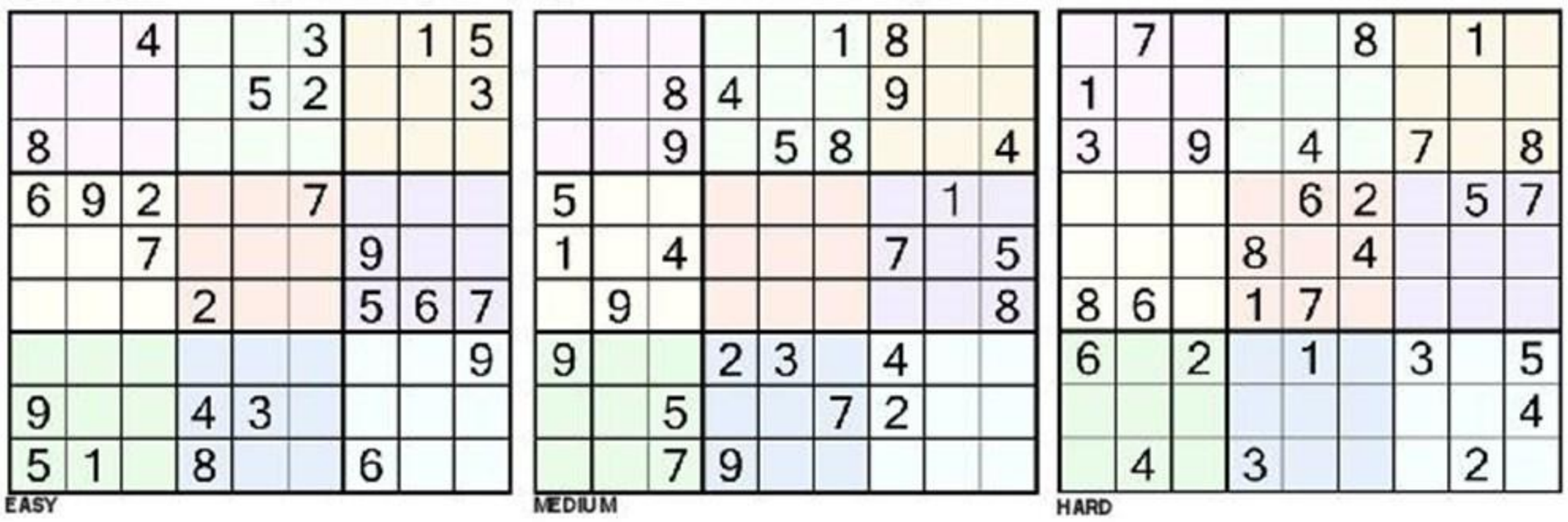
H	E	R
I	K	A
G	N	N

How many words of four letters or more can you make? Each letter must be used only once and all words must contain the centre letter. There is at least one nine-letter word.
No words starting with a capital are allowed, no plurals ending in s unless the word is also a verb, e.g. he burns with anger.
Good 10 Very Good 16 Excellent 24+

Saturday: adust anus aunt daunt daunts duet dune duns dust endue endues ensue ensued nausea nauseate NAUSEATED nude sauna saute sauteed stud stun sued suede suet sundae tuna tune tuned tunes unease unsated unseat unseated unset used

SUDOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and each 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.



EASY | MEDIUM | HARD

Saturday's sudoku solutions

9	6	7	4	3	5	8	1	2
3	5	2	6	8	1	4	9	7
1	4	8	7	9	2	6	5	3
8	9	5	3	6	4	2	7	1
6	7	3	2	1	9	5	4	8
2	1	4	8	5	7	3	6	9
7	2	9	5	4	8	1	3	6
5	8	6	1	7	3	9	2	4
4	3	1	9	2	6	7	8	5

EASY

9	1	4	6	2	5	3	8	7
3	6	2	7	8	9	5	1	4
8	5	7	4	1	3	9	2	6
1	4	5	8	9	6	2	7	3
2	9	6	3	4	7	1	5	8
7	3	8	1	5	2	6	4	9
6	8	3	2	7	1	4	9	5
5	7	1	9	6	4	8	3	2
4	2	9	5	3	8	7	6	1

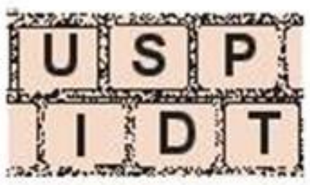
MEDIUM

6	3	4	8	5	7	1	9	2
9	5	8	2	6	1	4	7	3
2	1	7	9	4	3	5	8	6
4	9	3	6	7	5	8	2	1
8	6	5	3	1	2	9	4	7
7	2	1	4	9	8	3	6	5
5	4	2	7	3	9	6	1	8
1	8	6	5	2	4	7	3	9
3	7	9	1	8	6	2	5	4

HARD

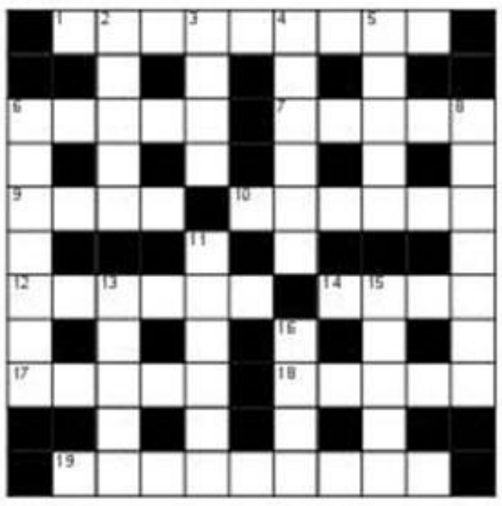
Saturday's WordBuilder solution
Fir, fit, fop, for, fort, frit, fro, oft, opt, pit, poi, port, pot, pro, prof, PROFIT, rift, riot, rip, rot, tip, tiro, top, topi, tor, tori, trio, trip.

WORDBUILDER



How many words of three or more letters, including plurals, can you make from the six letters, using each only once?
No words beginning with a capital are allowed. There's at least one six-letter word.
Good 15 Very Good 19 Excellent 23

11x11 QUICK



Across
1. Abundant wealth (9)
6. Holding device (5)
7. Toss (5)
9. Overdue (4)
10. A litre (anag) (6)
12. Antiseptic tincture (6)
14. Throbbing pain (4)
17. African country (5)
18. Agent, representative (5)
19. Dry out (9)

Down
2. Banquet (5)
3. Track circuits (4)
4. Paris tower (6)
5. Porcelain (5)
6. Telephoning (7)
8. Golf tournament spectators (7)
11. Anxious (6)
13. Male duck (5)
15. Flat-headed nail (5)
16. Nautical pole (4)

Saturday's 11x11 quick
Across: 1. Fool's errand, 7. Chink, 8. Scrub, 9. Seep, 11. Bereft, 14. Master, 16. Bars, 20. Nerve, 21. Aroma, 22. Contentment.
Down: 1. Focus, 2. Olive, 3. Sake, 4. Russet, 5. Agree, 6. Debut, 10. Era, 12. Far, 13. Secede, 14. Manic, 15. Siren, 17. Alone, 18. Start, 19. Fact.

FORECAST

Statewide today

A high chance of showers and storms north of Tennant Creek with possible heavy falls and areas of rain about the western Top End and northern Gregory District. Possible damaging wind gusts with monsoonal squalls across the northern Top End. A slight to medium chance of showers and storm elsewhere north of Barrow Creek. Partly cloudy south of Barrow Creek apart from a slight chance of showers and storms in the far southwest Lasseter District. Very hot south of Barrow Creek. Light to moderate west to northwest winds in the Top End, tending northeast to southeast elsewhere. Winds fresh and gusty in the southern Gregory, northern Tanami and southwest Barkly during the afternoon, with fresh to strong winds about the northern and western Top End coasts. Fire danger: high in the southern Barkly District.

29 / 26

DARWIN
Cloudy. Very high chance of rain. The chance of a thunderstorm, possibly severe. Damaging winds and heavy falls possible. Winds northwesterly 25 to 35 km/h turning westerly 30 to 45 km/h during the morning. **Tuesday:** Cloudy. Very high chance of rain. The chance of a thunderstorm. Heavy falls possible. Winds westerly 30 to 45 km/h.

28 / 26

PALMERSTON
Cloudy. Very high chance of rain. The chance of a thunderstorm, possibly severe. Damaging winds and heavy falls possible. Winds northwesterly 20 to 30 km/h tending westerly 25 to 35 km/h in the morning.

28 / 24

KATHERINE
Cloudy. Very high chance of rain. The chance of a thunderstorm, possibly severe. Heavy falls possible. Winds north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h turning northwesterly 25 to 35 km/h in the early afternoon then decreasing to 15 to 20 km/h in the evening.

33 / 25

TENNANT CREEK
Cloudy. High chance of showers. The chance of a thunderstorm. Winds easterly 25 to 35 km/h.

40 / 25

ALICE SPRINGS
Mostly sunny. Light winds becoming easterly 20 to 30 km/h in the morning then becoming light in the late evening.

42 / 29

YULARA
Partly cloudy. Winds easterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light early in the morning then becoming easterly 20 to 30 km/h in the morning.

Darwin Outlook:

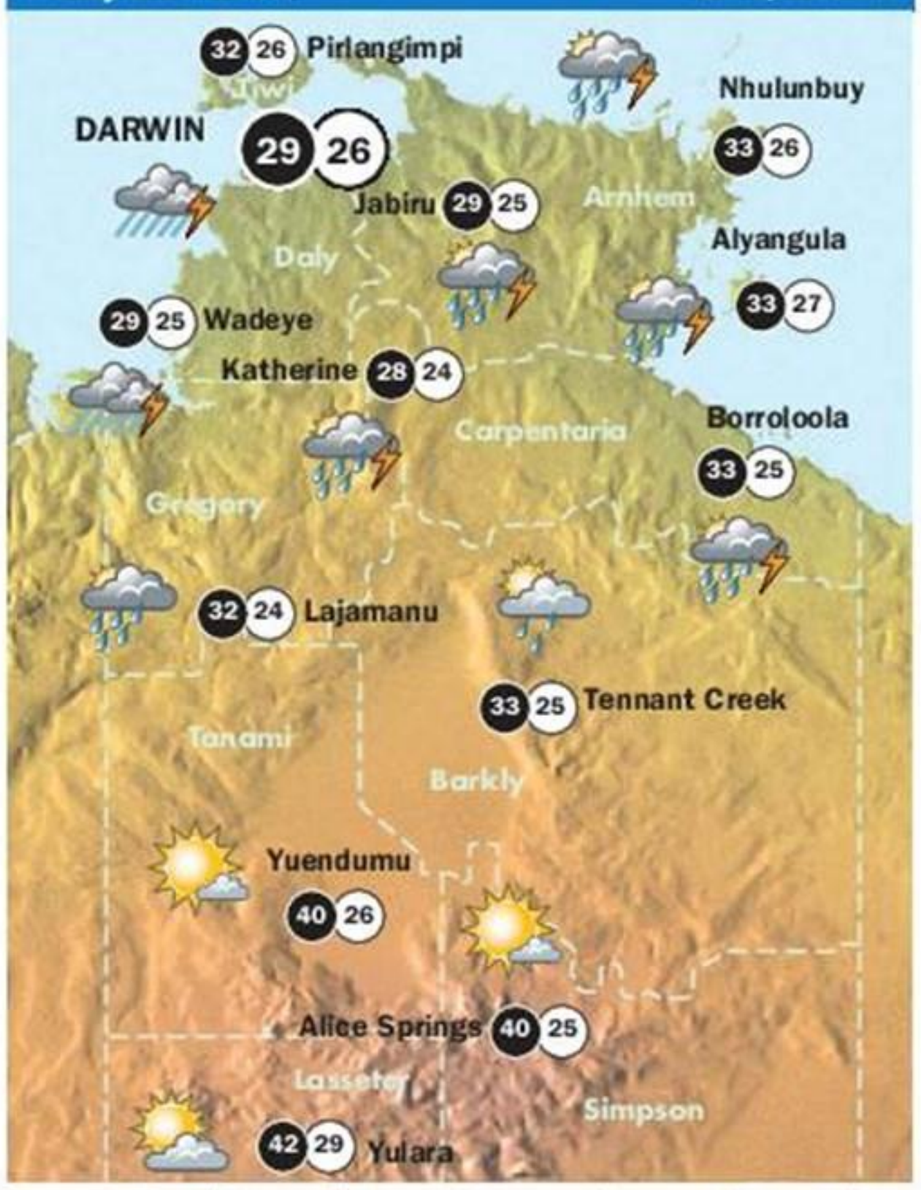
Tuesday.	Storm. Heavy falls.	26 / 31
Wednesday.	Showers. Storm.	27 / 31
Thursday.	Showers. Storm.	27 / 31
Friday.	Showers. Possible storm.	27 / 32
Saturday.	Shower or two. Storm.	27 / 33
Sunday.	Shower or two. Storm.	27 / 33

Statewide tomorrow

A high chance of showers, storms and areas of rain north of the Devils Marbles with possible heavy falls. Possible damaging wind gusts with monsoonal squalls across the northern and western Top End. A slight to medium chance of showers and storm elsewhere. Very hot south of Ti Tree. Moderate to fresh and gusty southwest to northwest winds north of Daly Waters, tending northeast to southeast elsewhere. Winds strong at times about the northern and western Top End coasts.

Today's forecast

January 15, 2024



MAP ICONS

sunny, mostly sunny, partly cloudy, cloudy, chance shower, showers, light rain, rain, storms, windy, fog, dust

TIDES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
L: 2:53am	L: 3:39am	L: 4:27am	L: 5:17am	L: 6:11am	L: 7:14am	H: 12:28am
H: 8:18am	H: 9:11am	H: 10:05am	H: 11:04am	H: 12:11pm	H: 1:35pm	L: 8:30am
L: 2:52pm	L: 3:30pm	L: 4:09pm	L: 4:48pm	L: 5:39pm	L: 6:59pm	H: 3:26pm
H: 9:29pm	H: 10:01pm	H: 10:33pm	H: 11:04pm	H: 11:38pm		L: 8:49pm

SUN AND MOON

First	Full	Last	New
Jan 18	Jan 26	Feb 3	Feb 10

Today: **Sunrise** 6:32 am **Sunset** 7:19 pm **Moonrise** 10:05 am **Moonset** 10:43 pm

Warnings:
Warnings were current at 5pm yesterday.
Latest info at **www.bom.gov.au/nt/warnings**
or 1300 659 210 (local call cost)
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COASTAL WATERS

Darwin Harbour
Winds: Northwesterly 15 to 25 knots turning westerly 20 to 30 knots during the morning. Seas: 2 to 3 metres. Swell: Northwesterly around 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 1.5 metres during the afternoon. Weather: Cloudy. Near 100% chance of rain. The chance of a storm. Squalls to 50 knots with showers and storms.
Tuesday. Winds: Westerly 20 to 30 knots. Seas: 2 to 3 metres. Swell: Northwesterly around 1 metre. Weather: Cloudy. Near 100% chance of rain. The chance of a storm.

Beagle Bonaparte Coast
Winds: Westerly 20 to 30 knots. Seas: 2 to 3 metres. Swell: Westerly 1 to 1.5 metres inshore, increasing to 1.5 to 2.5 metres offshore north of Channel Point. Weather: Cloudy. Near 100% chance of rain. The chance of a storm. Squalls to 50 knots with showers and storms.

Van Diemen Gulf
Winds: Northwesterly 20 to 30 knots. Seas: 2 to 3 metres. Swell: Northwest to northeasterly below 1 metre. Weather: Cloudy. 95% chance of rain. The chance of a storm. Squalls to 50 knots with showers and storms.

North Tiwi Coast
Winds: West to northwesterly 20 to 30 knots. Seas: 2 to 2.5 metres. Swell: Westerly 2 to 2.5 metres. Weather: Cloudy. 95% chance of showers. The chance of a storm. Squalls to 50 knots with showers and storms.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

Adelaide	Sunny.	34	Hobart	Cloud clearing.	23
Albury	Shower or two.	29	Kununurra	Storm, heavy falls.	33
Birdsville	Mostly sunny.	43	Melbourne	Partly cloudy.	28
Bourke	Shower, storm.	36	Mildura	Shower or two, storm.	35
Brisbane	Showers.	30	Mt. Isa	Chance shower.	36
Broome	Partly cloudy.	34	Perth	Sunny.	37
Cairns	Showers.	31	Sydney	Showers.	24
Canberra	Showers.	20	Townsville	Showers.	31
Coober Pedy	Partly cloudy.	40	Weipa	Showers, storm.	30

WORLD CENTRES

Auckland	20	26	showers	London	-1	2	sunny
Bangkok	25	36	fine	Los Angeles	9	18	sunny
Beijing	-9	4	fine	New Delhi	4	19	cold
Cape Town	17	26	fine	New York	-5	1	sunny
Christchurch	12	17	showers	Paris	1	3	sunny
Dubai	16	27	fine	Rome	7	15	mist
Hong Kong	18	24	sunny	Singapore	24	32	storms
Honolulu	19	27	sunny	Suva	25	29	storms
Jakarta	26	29	rain	Tokyo	3	11	fine

Yesterday

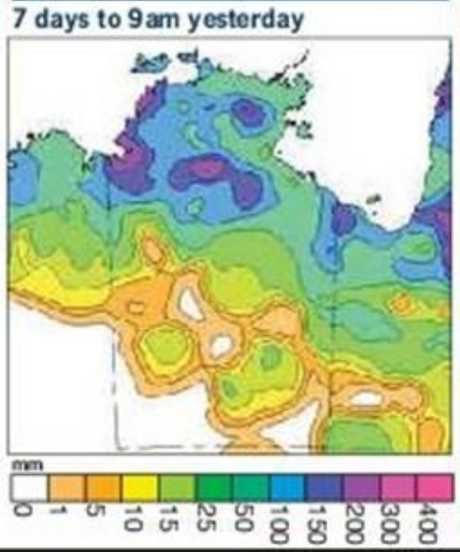
Rainfall: 24hr rainfall to 9am 14 January 2024: 36.2 mm
Monthly total to 9am 14 January 2024: 177.8 mm
Average for month of January: 429.3 mm
1 October 2023 to 14 January 2024: 488.4 mm on 39 rain days
Average from 1 October to end of January: 899.1 mm

Location	Min	Max	Rain	Location	Min	Max	Rain
Darwin	26	31	36.2	Lajamanu	26	35	0.0
Tindal	26	33	0.2	Tennant Creek	24	35	4.0
Jabiru	26	31	14.6	Alice Springs	24	40	0.0
Nhulunbuy	25	31	14.8	Yulara	29	43	0.0
Borroloola	26	34	2.6				

* rainfall 24 hours to 9am yesterday

Rainfall

7 days to 9am yesterday



SunSmart

DARWIN
Sun protection recommended between
8:50am to 5:00pm
Maximum UV Index:
15 (extreme)

KATHERINE
Sun protection recommended between
8:40am to 5:00pm
Maximum UV Index:
16 (extreme)

TENNANT CREEK
Sun protection recommended between
8:20am to 5:00pm
Maximum UV Index:
16 (extreme)

ALICE SPRINGS
Sun protection recommended between
8:20am to 5:00pm
Maximum UV Index:
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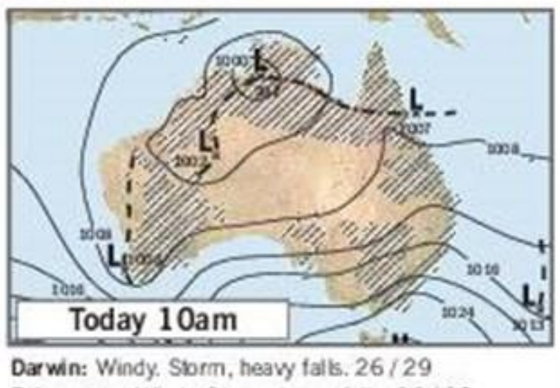
CHART KEY Isobars — 1016 (hectopascals) — Cold Front ▲▲ Warm Front ◗◗ Trough - - - - Rain - 24 hrs to 10am



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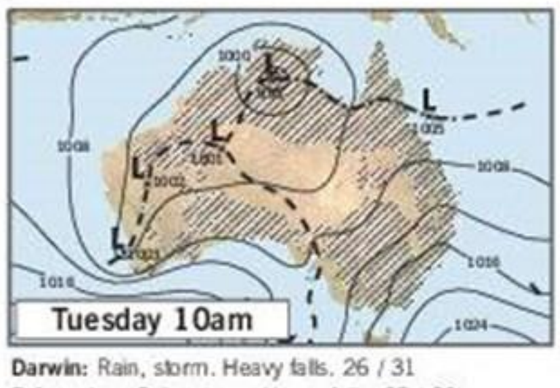
Alice Springs: Mostly sunny. 25 / 40
Yulara: Partly cloudy. 29 / 42



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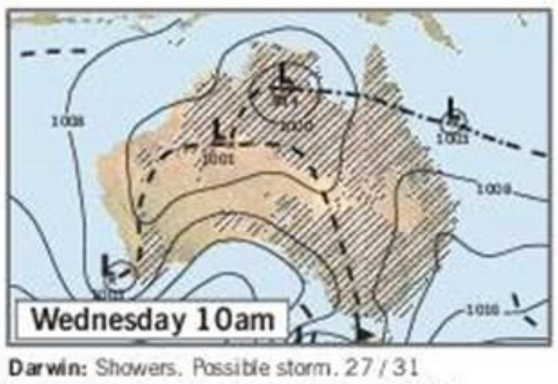
Alice Springs: Mostly sunny. 25 / 41
Yulara: Mostly sunny. 29 / 42



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New Registration application – St Phillip's College, Central Australian Transition School

St Phillip's College Board submitted an application to register a new non-government school – the Central Australian Transition School. The proposed school aims to provide specialised educational programs for Year 7 to 9 students who are transitioning to mainstream schooling or an alternative pathway to vocational training.

The proposed school will be administered by St Phillip's College Alice Springs Ltd, and will be situated at Lot 4557, 20 Schwarz Crescent, Alice Springs NT.

The application is under consideration by the Registration Assessment Panel and is now open for public comment. Written submissions from interested members of the public should be received by close of business 2 February 2024, and sent to:

Registrar Non-Government Schools
GPO Box 4821, Darwin NT 0801
Email: registrarngs.doe@education.nt.gov.au

In accordance with section 135(2) of the Education Act 2015, public submissions will be provided to St Phillip's College – Central Australian Transition School for response.

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Tributes

Deaths

BRIAN HAROLD MEASEY

Legendary and beloved Boss of the Thrifty empire in the NT and Northwest WA.

Although his bark was worse than his bite, we always knew where we stood.
Brian's help and generosity to his Staff, when in need, never wavered.
In our opinion, Brian's character, and career warrants admiration an astute businessman beyond comparison.

Our sincere condolences to Pat, Mary-Anne, Sarah, Matt, and families.
RIP Brian - you will be sorely missed.
All the Thrifty Staff (Mary) at Darwin, Alice Springs, Broome, Kununurra, Agencies, Bishop Street and Freedom Motors.

MEASEY, Brian
04 Jan 2024

Long standing member of Ms. Mary Anne Berry and family. We have many treasured memories over more than 50 years. Brian's strength of character, sense of humour and generosity made him a wonderful friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pat, Mary Anne, Sarah, Matthew and families.

Tributes & Condolences

MEASEY, Brian
23 Jul 1943
04 Jan 2024

Brian's dedication and support to Variety NT will always be remembered. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

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Volatore turns on the power

Big burst secures fine victory

Andrew O'Toole

The Angela Forster trained Volatore won at Fannie Bay on Saturday with jockey Sonja Wiseman on board. Picture: Caroline Camilleri

Volatore went some way towards repaying the $25,000 trainer Angela Forster paid for him just under 12 months ago when he stormed home to win the Ladbrokes Summer Sprint Series (Ht 2) Handicap, feature event at Fannie Bay on Saturday.

With Sonja Logan in the saddle, Volatore settled back in the 1200m event and had only two rivals behind him on the home turn. Meanwhile up front, stablemates Vunivalu and El Magnificence, along with Bullinachinashop, had set a fast pace and Volatore had many lengths to make up.

El Magnificence took the lead from his stablemate with about 280m to run and looked set for victory, but Logan had other ideas, and cajoled a tremendous finishing burst from Volatore to get up in the final couple of strides to win by a half-neck.

El Magnificence was a game second, and Vunivalu stuck on well to take third a length back ahead of Envenomate.

Forster, who races Volatore with her partner Darren Waterfall, purchased Volatore at the Inglis February online sale in 2023 from Ciaron Maher Racing, and has been nothing if not patient, Saturday's win just Volatore's second start for her.

He has now won four of his 16 starts, and with four seconds and two thirds as well, has stakes of just over $133,000.

Logan didn't waste any time making it a double on the day when combining with her trainer-husband Tom's mare Make An Effort, a strong all-the-way winner of the Silks Darwin Wet Season Series (Ht 6) Handicap (1000m).

Logan sent her mount straight to the front and although pursued strongly by short-priced favourite Shecanmixit throughout, had a strong kick in the straight to win by a length and a-half, with Chief Mondo making good ground into third almost three lengths back.

Make An Effort was having just her second start this campaign, and is raced by a group of owners including Darwin Turf Club staff Ben Whitlock, Jade Embuscado, Lachlan Fairley and Jesse Woolley.

Bon's Pride made it two wins in succession when getting the better of Princess Pancakes and Beatification to win the Australia Day Racing on 26th January Handicap (1300m).

Bon's Pride shared the lead throughout with Beatification and had a little too much in reserve to score by a length and a-half from Princess Pancakes, who finished off well, with Beatification a game third.

Vanessa Arnott, the horse's usual partner, had a day off on Saturday to celebrate her birthday, but would no doubt have been cheering on Bon's Pride, who she guided to an eight-plus length win at his previous start.

Bon's Pride, a $22,000 purchase at the Magic Millions Darwin Turf Club Tried Horse Sale in early August, has now had four Top End starts for a brace of wins, a second and a fourth, and took his stake earnings to almost $64,000, $29,750 of it amassed in the Territory.

Ankle Rolex gave visiting Queensland apprentice Minonette Kennedy a winner on her first day's riding in the Top End when just edging out Magnolia Rose in the Shane Kavanagh Memorial Sprint (1300m).

Kennedy, the winner of over 100 races, kept Ankle Rolex wide throughout but it mattered not, Pat Johnston's four-year-old getting in the deciding stride to win by a nose. New Enterprise, who looked the winner at the 100m mark, had to be content with third a half neck behind Magnolia Rose.

The Johnston/Kennedy duo were at it again in the very next race when maiden Barty Aya finished strongly to win the Ladbroke It! TROBIS Handicap (1200m).

Kennedy gave her mount a lovely run in the trail behind Looking For You and Cisalpine, angled off their heels on the point of the home turn and was too good for her rivals.

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American Football

NFL, AFC Wild Card Playoffs

(Home team in CAPS)

HOUSTON TEXANS 45 Cleveland Browns 14; KANSAS CITY CHIEFS 26 Miami Dolphins 7

Basketball

NBL, Rd 15

BRISBANE BULLETS 80 (C Smith 19 T Harrison 13 S McDaniel 12 J Bannan 12) d **TASMANIA JACKJUMPERS 77** (M Doyle 19 J McVeigh 17 J Crawford 13) at Nissan Arena.

ADELAIDE 36ERS 95 (T Kell 27 I Humphries 18 SD Dech 13 J Wiley 13) d **SYDNEY KINGS 82** (J Adams 20 A Glover 12 K Noi 11) at Adelaide Entertainment Centre.

MELBOURNE UNITED 82 (C Goulding 24 M Dellavedova 14 L Travers 13 A Hulipoti 12) d **NEW ZEALAND BREAKERS 81** (A Lamb 22 P Jackson-Cartwright 21 M Mathiang 13) at TSB Stadium.

ILLAWARRA HAWKS 108 (G Clark 25 T Harvey 23 S Froling 23) d **TASMANIA JACKJUMPERS 107** (J Crawford 24 M Doyle 20 J McVeigh 16) in overtime at MyState Bank Arena.

CAIRNS TAIPANS 111 (T McCall 30 P Miller 25 A Gak 21) d **ADELAIDE 36ERS 101** (I Humphries 28 T Kell 25 D Vasiljevic 19) in overtime at Cairns Convention Centre.

PERTH WILDCATS 100 (B Cotton 34 T Webster 20 K Pinder 13) d **SOUTHEAST MELBOURNE 79** (M Creek 36 A Williams 12 B Ayre 10) at RAC Arena.

BRISBANE BULLETS 110 (N Schey 25 C Smith 19 M Norton 18 T Harrison 18) d **ILLAWARRA HAWKS 103** (T Harvey 29 J Robinson 15 S Froling 15) at Nissan Arena.

Standings

	P	W	L	Win %	Pts %
Melbourne Utd	21	16	5	76.19	108.39
Perth Wildcats	20	13	7	65.00	102.57
Tas JackJumpers	22	11	11	50.00	105.25
Brisbane Bullets	22	11	11	50.00	98.22
Sydney Kings	21	10	11	47.62	100.20
Illawarra Hawks	19	9	10	47.37	99.01
Cairns Taipans	22	10	12	45.45	98.95
SE Melbourne	21	9	12	42.86	94.58
NZ Breakers	19	8	11	42.11	100.18
Adelaide 36ers	21	7	14	33.33	93.51

WNBL, Rd 11

BENDIGO SPIRIT 96 (A Wehrung 18 C Samuels 13 A Wilson 12) d **ADELAIDE LIGHTNING 68** (I Borlase 16 B Basham 13 I Bourne 12 J Willoughby 12) at Red Energy Arena.

TOWNSVILLE FIRE 69 (Z Aokuso 17 S Whitcomb 16 C Woods 12) d **MELBOURNE BOOMERS 57** (K Froling 16 J Canada 13 N Hillmon 11) at Melbourne Sports Centres.

UC CAPITALS 81 (A Sharp 25 J Melbourne 24 G Potter 11) d **PERTH LYNX 75** (A Atwell 29 A Maley 12 E Potter 10) at National Convention Centre.

MELBOURNE BOOMERS 94 (N Hillmon 24 K Froling 19 J Canada 17) d **TOWNSVILLE FIRE 58** (C Brown 13 Z Aokuso 13 S Whitcomb 8 S Reid 8) at Melbourne Sports Centres.

SYDNEY FLAMES 87 (C George 28 P Bradley 18 D Richards 17) d **PERTH LYNX 84** (A Atwell 24 E Potter 16 M Goodchild 14) at Qudos Bank Arena.

BENDIGO SPIRIT 88 (K Griffin 25 M Kraker 13 A Froling 12 A Wilson 12) d **UC CAPITALS 66** (J Melbourne 13 A Sharp 11 A Fowler 10) at Red Energy Arena.

Standings

	P	W	L	Win %	Pts %
Townsville Fire	16	12	4	75.00	113.32
Melb Boomers	16	10	6	62.50	105.01
Perth Lynx	16	9	7	56.25	102.33
Sydney Flames	16	8	8	50.00	94.52
Southside Flyers	14	8	6	57.14	103.67
Bendigo Spirit	14	6	8	42.85	98.69
UC Capitals	14	4	10	28.57	92.36
Adel Lightning	16	4	12	25.00	91.06

NBA

(home team in CAPS)

BOSTON CELTICS 145 Houston Rockets 113; Washington Wizards 127 ATLANTA HAWKS 99; New York Knicks 106 MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES 94; MILWAUKEE BUCKS 129 Golden State Warriors 118; OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER 112 Orlando Magic 100; New Orleans Pelicans 118 DALLAS MAVERICKS 108; Chicago Bulls 122 SAN ANTONIO SPURS 116; UTAH JAZZ 132 Los Angeles Lakers 125

Cricket

BBL

Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Match 35 at Optus Stadium

PERTH SCORCHERS innings

S ESKINAZI c Bryant b Johnson 12 (13)
S WHITEMAN c Bryant b Neser 7 (8)
A HARDIE c Bartlett b Neser 9 (10)
J INGLIS b Kuhnemann 5 (8)
L EVANS c Peirson b Walter 26 (22)
C CONNOLLY c Neser b Bartlett 35 (25)
N HOBSON not out 48 (30)
A AGAR not out 5 (5)
Extras (1lb 9w 1nb 5p) 16
Six wickets for 163
Fall: 19, 25, 35, 49, 83, 111
Bowling: M Neser 3-0-21-2, X Bartlett 4-0-27-1, S Johnson 4-0-35-1, M Kuhnemann 3-0-23-1, M Swepson 3-0-20-0, P Walter 3-0-31-1. **Overs:** 20

BRISBANE HEAT innings

J BROWN c Agar b Morris 29 (22)
J PEIRSON c Whiteman b Agar 42 (41)
N MCSWEENEY c Inglis b Tye 3 (9)
M RENSHAW c Inglis b Behrendorff 1 (8)
M BRYANT lbw b Hardie 29 (17)
P WALTER c Whiteman b Morris 9 (8)
M NESER c Inglis b Morris 0 (1)
X BARTLETT c Hobson b Tye 3 (7)
S JOHNSON not out 0 (2)
M SWEPSON c Agar b Tye 4 (3)
M KUHNEMANN c Whiteman b Tye 0 (1)
Extras (4lb 4w) 8
Total 128
Fall: 55, 67, 82, 84, 100, 100, 124, 124, 128 128
Bowling: A Hardie 4-0-22-1, J Behrendorff 4-0-23-1, L Morris 4-0-26-3, A Tye 3.5-1-14-4, A Agar 4-0-39-1. **Overs:** 19.5
Result: Perth Scorchers won by 35 runs

Melbourne Renegades v Melbourne Stars

Match 36 at Marvel Stadium

MELBOURNE STARS innings

T ROGERS c O'Neill b Richardson 23 (17)
D LAWRENCE lbw b Rogers 8 (5)
B WEBSTER c Richardson b Hosein 29 (34)
G MAXWELL c F-McGurk b Richardson 20 (10)
M STOINIS b Hosein 2 (5)
H CARTWRIGHT c (sub) b O'Neill 38 (30)
I WASIM c Fraser-McGurk b Zampa 14 (14)
P HANDSCOMB not out 3 (4)
N COULTER-NILE run out (J.Cox) 0 (1)
Eight wickets for 137
Fall: 21, 37, 61, 64, 95, 122, 137, 137
Bowling: F O'Neill 4-0-39-1, A Hosein 4-0-18-2, T Rogers 4-0-36-1, A Zampa 4-0-27-1, K Richardson 4-0-17-2. **Overs:** 20

MELBOURNE RENEGADES innings

S MARSH not out 64 (49)
A FINCH c Maxwell b Paris 0 (3)
J F-MCGURK c Handscomb b C.-Nile 42 (31)
J COX c Cartwright b Coulter-Nile 4 (2)
W SUTHERLAND c Rogers b Boland 10 (5)
J WELLS not out 14 (15)
Extras (3lb 1w 1nb) 5
Four wickets for 139
Fall: 10, 78, 82, 93
Bowling: J Paris 3-0-20-1, S Boland 3.2-0-27-1, I Wasim 3-0-28-0, N Coulter-Nile 4-0-25-2, M Stoinis 2-0-26-0, G Maxwell 1-0-6-0, B Webster 1-0-4-0. **Overs:** 17.2
Result: Renegades won by 6 wickets

Standings

	M	W	L	N/R	NRR	Pts
Brisbane Heat	10	7	1	2	0.393	16
Perth Scorchers	9	6	2	1	0.837	13
Sydney Sixers	9	5	2	2	0.356	12
*Adelaide Strikers	9	4	4	1	0.145	9
Melbourne Stars	9	4	5	0	-1.138	8
Hobart Hurricanes	9	3	6	0	-0.344	6
Melb Renegades	9	2	6	1	-0.288	5
*Sydney Thunder	8	1	6	1	-0.507	3

*Played last night

Golf

US PGA Tour Sony Open

Third round at Waialae Country Club, Honolulu, Hawaii (par 70)

196: Grayson Murray (USA), Keegan Bradley (USA); **197:** Sam Stevens (USA); **199:** Taiga Semikawa (JPN), Matthieu Pavon (FRA), Chris Kirk (USA), An Byeong Hun (KOR), Ben Silverman (CAN); **200:** Troy Merritt (USA), Kurt Kitayama (USA), Emiliano Grillo (ARG), Austin Eckroat (USA); **201:** Taylor Montgomery (USA), Akshay Bhatia (USA), Stewart Cink (USA), Carl Yuan (CHN), Stephan Jäger (GER), Kim Seonghyeon (KOR), Nick Taylor (CAN), Russell Henley (USA), Patton Kizzire (USA); **Australian: 202:** Cameron Davis.

European Tour Dubai Invitational

Third round at Dubai Creek, UAE (par 71)

198: Tommy Fleetwood (ENG); **199:** Rory McIlroy (NIR); **201:** Thorbjørn Olesen (DEN); **202:** Jordan Smith (ENG), Thriston Lawrence (RSA), Zander Lombard (RSA); **203:** Sean Crocker (USA), Yannik Paul (GER), Rasmus Højgaard (DEN); **205:** Adrian Meronk (POL); **206:** Ewen Ferguson (SCO), Li Haotong (CHN), Francesco Molinari (ITA), Richard Mansell (ENG); **207:** Tom McKibbin (NIR), Julien Guerrier (FRA), Nicolai Højgaard (DEN), Adrián Otaegui (ESP)

Soccer

A-League Men, Rd 12

WESTERN UNITED 3 (B Garuccio 3, Daniel Peiha 74, 85) drew **MACARTHUR FC 3** (U Davila 32, 51, 90) at Commbank Stadium. Referee: Adam Kersey.

WESTERN SYDNEY WANDERERS 1 (D Piedras 27) d **MELBOURNE CITY 0** at Commbank Stadium. Referee: Jonathan Barreiro.

CENTRAL COAST MARINERS 1 (J Reec 89) drew **MELBOURNE VICTORY 1** (D Arzani 33) at Allianz Stadium. Referee: Ben Abraham.

ADELAIDE UNITED 4 (H Ibusuki 24, 34, 73, N Ioanlaunca 50) d **SYDNEY FC 3** (A Caceres 7, J Lolley 76, 95) at Allianz Stadium. Referee: Alex King.

Standings

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
Melb Victory	12	6	6	0	25	14	11	24
Western Syd	12	6	3	3	20	12	8	21
Wellington	11	6	3	2	18	12	6	21
Central Coast	12	5	3	4	23	18	5	18
Adel United	13	5	3	5	27	23	4	18
Melbourne City	12	5	3	4	23	19	4	18
Macarthur FC	13	4	6	3	22	23	-1	18
Sydney FC	12	5	0	7	20	24	-4	15
Brisbane Roar	11	4	2	5	17	25	-8	14
Newcastle Jets	11	3	4	4	18	20	-2	13
Perth Glory	11	2	2	7	18	24	-6	8
Western Utd	12	2	1	9	11	28	-17	7

A-League Women, Rd 12

PERTH GLORY 1 (J Rankin 60 og) drew **MELBOURNE VICTORY 1** (R Lowe 28) at Leichhardt Oval. Referee: Caitlin Williams.

CENTRAL COAST MARINERS 2 (R Badawiya 23, P Trimis 34) d **WELLINGTON PHOENIX 1** (E Main 3) at Leichhardt Oval. Referee: Bec Mackie.

CANBERRA UNITED 3 (M Heyman 50, S1, V Milivojevic 64) d **ADELAIDE UNITED 1** (I Hodgson 46) at Leichhardt Oval. Referee: Rebecca Durcau.

NEWCASTLE JETS 2 (S Bolden 63, T Yallop 77 og) d **BRISBANE ROAR 1** (M Corbin 65) at Leichhardt Oval. Referee: Isabella Libri.

Standings

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
Melb City	11	8	2	1	28	17	11	26
Perth Glory	12	6	3	3	17	13	4	21
Western Utd	11	5	2	4	17	17	0	17
Newcastle Jets	12	5	2	5	20	22	-2	17
Sydney FC	10	4	4	2	11	7	4	16
Wellington	12	5	1	6	17	14	3	16
Melb Victory	12	4	3	5	18	17	1	15
Central Coast	11	4	3	4	12	12	0	15
Western Syd	10	4	2	4	14	12	2	14
Brisbane Roar	12	3	4	5	15	21	-6	13
Canberra Utd	11	2	4	5	23	25	-2	10
Adel United	12	2	2	8	14	29	-15	8

English Premier League

Newcastle United 2 (Isak 35, Gordon 37) Manchester City 3 (Silva 26, De Bruyne 74, Bobb 90+1); Chelsea 1 (Palmer 45+4 pen) Fulham 0

Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	20	13	6	1	43	18	45
Manchester City	20	13	4	3	48	23	43
Aston Villa	20	13	3	4	43	27	42
Arsenal	20	12	4	4	37	20	40
Tottenham	20	12	3	5	42	29	39
West Ham Utd	20	10	4	6	33	30	34
Brighton	20	8	7	5	38	33	31
Chelsea	21	9	4	8	35	31	31
Manchester Utd	20	10	1	9	22	27	31
Newcastle Utd	21	9	2	10	41	32	29
Wolves	20	8	4	8	30	31	28
Bournemouth	19	7	4	8	28	35	25
Fulham	21	7	3	11	28	36	24
Crystal Palace	20	5	6	9	22	29	21
Nottingham	20	5	5	10	24	35	20
Brentford	19	5	4	10	26	31	19
Everton	20	5	2	10	24	28	16
Luton Town	20	4	4	12	24	38	16
Burnley	21	3	3	15	21	42	12
Sheffield Utd	20	2	3	15	15	49	9

English Championship

Ipswich Town 2 (Jackson 34, Chaplin 76) Sunderland 1 (Clarke 27); Millwall 1 (Bryan 11) Middlesbrough 3 (Engel 39, Jones 59, Foss 90+6); Plymouth Argyle 1 (Whittaker 13) Huddersfield Town 1 (Koroma 39) Rotherham United 0 Stoke City 1 (Baker 50); West Bromwich Albion 4 (Fellows 12, Thomas-Asante 31, 64, Hyam 33 og) Blackburn Rovers 1 (Garrett 61); Cardiff City 0 Leeds United 3 (Bamford 14, James 32, Rutter 89); Southampton 4 (Adams 36, Armstrong 64, Fraser 76, Mara 86) Sheffield Wednesday 0; Swansea City 2 (Darling 37, Lowe 59) Birmingham City 2 (Dembele 39, James 90+6); Preston North End 2 (Keane 66, 78) Bristol City 0; Coventry City 3 (O'Hare 80, 90+5, van Bwijk 89) Leicester City 1 (Dewsbury-Hall 44 pen)

Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leicester City	27	21	2	4	55	21	65
Ipswich Town	27	17	7	3	50	34	58
Southampton	27	16	7	4	50	31	55
Leeds United	27	15	6	6	48	25	51
West Brom	27	13	6	8	40	25	45
Coventry City	27	10	10	7	41	29	40
Sunderland	27	12	4	11	37	30	40
Hull City	27	11	6	10	41	38	39
Middlesbrough	27	12	3	12	41	40	39
Norwich City	27	11	5	11	44	43	38
Preston	27	11	5	11	33	44	38
Cardiff City	27	11	4	12	34	36	37
Watford	26	9	9	8	42	36	36
Bristol City	27	10	6	11	30	30	36
Swansea City	27	8	9	10	37	41	33
Millwall	27	8	8	11	29	34	32
Stoke City	27	8	8	11	26	32	32
Blackburn	27	10	2	15	40	52	32
Plymouth	27	7	9	11	44	46	30
Birmingham	27	7	8	12	32	43	29
Huddersfield	27	5	11	11	27	45	26
Sheffield	27	6	4	17	21	44	22
QPR	26	5	6	15	21	37	21
Rotherham United	27	3	9	15	24	51	18

Spanish First Division

Real Betis 1 (Isco 76) Granada 0; Athletic Bilbao 2 (Berenguer 30, 42) Real Sociedad 1 (Oyarzabal 88); Mallorca 1 (Larin 43) Celta Vigo 1 (Aspas 10); Las Palmas 3 (Rodriguez 8, 63, Herzog 51) Villarreal 0

Italian First Division

Monza 1 (Pessina 69 pen) Inter Milan 5 (Calhanoglu 12 pen, 60, Martinez 14, 84 pen, Thuram 88); Hellas Verona 2 (Djuric 3, Ngonge 56) Empoli 1 (Zurkowski 64); Torino 0 Genoa 0; Napoli 2 (Politano 45+4 pen, Rrahmani 90+6) Salernitana 1 (Candreva 29)

German Bundesliga

Darmstadt 0 Borussia Dortmund 3 (Brandt 24, Reus 77, Moukoko 90+2); Cologne 1 (Selke 29) Heidenheim 1 (Beck 55); Mainz 1 (Widmer 61) Wolfsburg 1 (Camy 12); Bayer Leverkusen 1 (Palacios 90+4) Augsburg 0; Freiburg 0 Union Berlin 0; Eintracht Frankfurt 1 (Kraueff 7) RB Leipzig 0

Asian Cup

Group A: China 0 Tajikistan 0
Group B: Australia 2 (Irvine 51, Box 74) India 0; Uzbekistan 0 Syria 0

Tennis

Australian Open

Day 1 at Melbourne Park

(prefix denotes seeding)

Men's singles, Round 1: Jaume Munar (ESP) d Alexander Shevchenko (RUS) 6-3 6-3 6-1; Matteo Arnaldi (ITA) d Adam Walton (AUS) 7-6(5) 6-2 6-4; 4-Jannik Sinner (ITA) d Botic van de Zandschulp (NED) 6-4 7-5 6-3; Fabian Marozsan (HUN) d Marin Cilic (CRO) 6-1 2-6 6-2 7-5; 22-Francisco Cerundolo (ARG) d Dane Sweeny (AUS) 3-6 6-3 6-4 2-6 6-2; Pavel Kotov (RUS) d Arthur Rinderknech (FRA) 7-5 6-1 6-7(6) 6-7(5) 6-3

Women's singles, Round 1: Alycia Parks (USA) d Daria Snigur (UKR) 2-6 6-2 6-4; 9-Barbora Krejcikova (CZE) d Mai Hontama (JPN) 2-6 6-4 6-3; 28-Lesia Tsurenko (UKR) d Lucia Bronzetti (ITA) 3-6 7-5 6-3; Kamilla Rakhimova (RUS) d Emina Bektas (USA) 6-4 6-4; Tamara Korpatsch (GER) d Jodie Burrage (GBR) 2-6 6-3 6-0; 32-Leylah Fernandez (CAN) d Sara Bejlek (CZE) 7-6(5) 6-2; Elina Avanesyan (RUS) d Bai Zhuoxuan (CHN) 4-6 7-5 6-2; Maria Timofeeva (RUS) d Alize Cornet (FRA) 6-2 6-4; 8-Maria Sakkari (GRE) d Nao Hibino (JPN) 6-4 6-1; Brenda Fruhvirtova (CZE) d Ana Bogdan (ROU) 2-6 6-4 6-3

Horse Racing

Yesterday's Dividends

ALICE SPRINGS

Race 1: 2 Vitesse Breeze $2.40 $1.00 5 Majestical $8.00 1 Rupert's Delight NTD. Q: $7.80. E: $19.60. T: $47.80. FIRST 4: (2 5 1 4) $172.80. All Started.

Race 2: 1 Rock Of Kryptonite $2.30 $2.10 3 Square Cut $2.00 2 Danther NTD. Q: $2.60. E: $8.20. T: $20.00. FIRST 4: (1 3 2 4) $51.70. All Started.

Race 3: 4 Don't Be Dramatic $17.30 $4.80 5 Eastside Diamond $1.00 8 Bean Shoppin' $8.40. Q: $79.60. E: $75.80. T: $1,921.30. A2: 4-5: $37.80, 4-8: Not won pool jackpots 5-8: $37.80. FIRST 4: (4 5 8 6) Not won pool jackpots. All Started.

Race 4: 5 The Girl's Boy $10.40 NPP 3 Kikuyu NPP 2 Future Dreams NPP. Q: $4.40. E: $26.70. T: $47.40. FIRST 4: (5 3 2 4) $47.50. Scr: 1(L).

DOUBLE: 1 Rock Of Kryptonite 5 The Girl's Boy $110.40. Sub: 1 3 . **TREBLE:** 1 Rock Of Kryptonite 4 Don't Be Dramatic 5 The Girl's Boy $124.90. Sub: 1 1 3 . **QUADDIE:** 2 Vitesse Breeze 1 Rock Of Kryptonite 4 Don't Be Dramatic 5 The Girl's Boy: Not won pool jackpots. Sub: 2 1 1 3 .

SALE

Race 1: 7 Willmott $4.40 $1.50 5 Haralcus $1.30 10 Lilica Ebet $2.30. Q: $4.30. E: $10.20. T: $63.80. A2: 7-5: $2.20, 7-10: $5.20, 5-10: $3.30. FIRST 4: (7 5 10 3) $317.00. Scr: 2,6,12,13,14,15,17,18,11(L).

Race 2: 4 Lukan $1.70 $1.10 3 Kuroshinzo $2.40 9 Slippery Rich $6.90. Q: $5.20. E: $10.20. T: $125.30. A2: 4-3: $2.80, 4-9: $11.50, 3-9: $27.20. FIRST 4: (4 3 9 1) $556.30. Scr: 6,13(L).

Race 3: 2 Hey Fat Cat $11.00 $3.20 10 La Magia $6.00 8 Zwasp $3.60. Q: $138.70. E: $123.10. T: $3,198.30. A2: 2-10: $44.50, 2-8: $27.30, 10-8: $50.10. FIRST 4: (2 10 8 14) Not won pool jackpots. All Started.

Race 4: 13 Our Malyshka $11.40 $1.90 4 My Name Is $1.00 2 Raven's Silver $6.30. Q: $3.60. E: $21.30. T: $419.50. A2: 13-4: $2.00, 13-2: $46.20, 4-2: $12.00. FIRST 4: (13 4 2 7) $2,974.50. Scr: 3,6,8,11,10(L).

Race 5: 9 I Miss Margie $3.30 $1.70 6 Freeways $2.50 2 Strappy Magnus $2.60. Q: $21.00. E: $23.40. T: $208.60. A2: 9-6: $6.80, 9-2: $3.90, 6-2: $11.20. FIRST 4: (9 6 2 7) $1,148.20. Scr: 1,10.

Race 6: 2 Magic Drum $3.90 $1.50 7 Big Darryl $7.20 4 Juice Box $1.40. Q: $106.10. E: $153.00. T: $590.70. A2: 2-7: $29.60, 2-4: $2.50, 7-4: $14.60. FIRST 4: (2 7 4 10) $3,024.70. Scr: 1,11.

Race 7: 7 Aria Electra $3.00 $1.30 5 Little Jack $2.90 13 Charisse $4.20. Q: $16.00. E: $24.90. T: $258.60. A2: 7-5: $6.10, 7-13: $8.60, 5-13: $28.20. FIRST 4: (7 5 13 4) $1,027.20. Scr: 6,8,10,14.

Race 8: 5 Miss Keeler $5.50 $1.70 1 Antarctic Ocean $3.00 7 New Hampshire $2.80. Q: $26.40. E: $41.20. T: $322.90. A2: 5-1: $8.40, 5-7: $4.10, 1-7: $14.80. FIRST 4: (5 1 7 6) $1,456.50. Scr: 4,9,10,12.

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Barbora Krejcikova celebrates during her win.

Relief for Krejcikova after win

Former French Open champion Barbora Krejcikova survived a scare to reach the second round of the Australian Open on Sunday, beating Japanese wildcard Mai Hontama 2-6 6-4 6-3.

The Czech ninth seed, who triumphed at Roland Garros in 2021, struggled with her serve on Margaret Court Arena and was broken six times in total by her 122nd-ranked opponent.

But she dug deep when trailing 3-1 in the second set after losing the opener and eventually turned the tables.

Hontama, 24, playing in just her second grand slam, broke twice in the opening set to take a grip on the match.

There were multiple breaks in the second set but Krejcikova produced a powerful forehand winner to hold in the ninth game and edge ahead 5-4, seizing her chance to level the match.

The Czech player, 28, needed a medical time-out when 3-2 up in the decider, receiving heavy strapping to her foot and ankle.

But she showed no signs of discomfort as she returned to the court, conjuring a crucial break in a long eighth game to leave her on the brink of victory, which she sealed when Hontama went long with a forehand.

Krejcikova said she was relieved to get through a "difficult match", which lasted 2 hours and 30 mins.

"I just tried to stay in the match," she said.

"In the second set I was down.

"But I never let go and I never gave up."

DEMON'S SPEED TEST

Big-serving Canadian looms as tough first-round foe

Callum Dick

One of the fastest serves in tennis history stands between Alex de Minaur and an Australian Open second round berth.

With an official top speed of 249.9km/h, the missile that is Milos Raonic's serve has tormented the ATP Tour for more than a decade – and the Aussie No.1 is its next target.

He's beaten Rafael Nadal, Roger Federer and Andy Murray while in their primes and gave Novak Djokovic one of the sternest tests of his run to the 2021 Australian Open title.

De Minaur might have chuckled when he saw his name placed next to the world No.317.

Raonic, a former Wimbledon runner-up and five-time Australian Open quarter-finalist, is hardly the cushy opening round draw oft expected for one of the top seeds.

After almost two years away from the tour battling injury, the 33-year-old Canadian is back up and running and ready to break Aussie hearts.

The former world No.3 has saved his best tennis for Melbourne Park, where he boasts a 34-11 record and has reached the fourth round or better on eight occasions.

One man who knows how dangerous Raonic can be is recently-retired Aussie star, John Millman. Millman rates Raonic as the most difficult serve he faced throughout his career. In one of their clashes at Wimbledon, the Canadian "nearly put me into the stands," he said. "I went up to near the baseline and he put one through me which nearly made me fall over."

But Millman believes de Minaur's skill set makes him a match-up nightmare for Raonic, not the other way around. "I used to hate having to face those big servers, especially early in a tournament," Millman said. "Sometimes the game can get taken out of your hands. The good news for Australian fans is that last year, Alex was the fifth-best returner on tour."

Last year, only the current world top four – Djokovic, Alcaraz, Medvedev and Sinner – boasted better return games than de Minaur.

Between 2012 and 2019, Raonic won 91 per cent of his service games. That figure would have comfortably led the ATP Tour last year.

But the Canadian is only nine games into his comeback, while de Minaur is coming off a trio of top 10 scalps – including Djokovic – at the United Cup.

De Minaur and Raonic open the Monday night session on Rod Laver Arena from 7pm.

Australia's Adam Walton reaches for a backhand during his Australian Open loss to Italy's Matteo Arnaldi in Melbourne. Picture: Darrian Traynor/Getty Images

Italian job on Aussie sealed emphatically

Rebecca Williams

The debut grand slam of Australian wildcard Adam Walton is over after just one match following his straight-sets loss on the opening day at Melbourne Park.

The first local hope on court at the Australian Open, Walton made a strong start against Italian Matteo Arnaldi before falling 7-6 (7-5) 6-2 6-4 on Kia Arena.

Walton, 24, pushed Arnaldi in an opening-set tiebreak but the world No. 41 swept past the unseeded Australian in the second set. Arnaldi looked to be in control at 3-1 in the third set but faced resistance from Walton, who is ranked 176 in the world.

The Italian sealed his win with an ace to take his tally to 16-1 for the match, while he also had 57 winners to 21.

Arnaldi will face the winner of Alex de Minaur and Milos Raonic in the second round.

Arnold: Socceroos must improve at Cup

Marco Monteverde

Jordan Bos' elation at scoring his first goal for the Socceroos has been tempered by national coach Graham Arnold admitting Australia has a "lot" to improve on to have any chance of winning the Asian Cup.

The Socceroos' opened their Cup campaign in Qatar with a 2-0 win over India, and while securing three points was the ultimate objective, the Australians struggled for large periods of the game to break down their dogged and resolute rivals.

It took 50 minutes for the Socceroos to take the lead, through Jackson Irvine, before former Melbourne City prodigy Bos scored with his first touch of the game 23 minutes later after coming on as a substitute.

"It was amazing," 21-year-old Bos told *beIN Sports*.

"It was my first Socceroos goal. I was hoping for the opportunity to get on and it just fell to me first touch so I couldn't have asked for a better start.

"Second half we got the goals we deserved."

However, Arnold expected more from his side, particularly in the first half when the Socceroos were sluggish in attack despite dominating possession.

"I can honestly say that we've got to improve a lot more than that," Arnold said.

Australian goal scorer Jordan Bos.

"One disappointment was our set pieces because we work quite a lot on them, and we're very strong with set pieces but you've got to give credit to India."

"That's something we need to improve on and we will."

Arnold preached patience at halftime and admitted his team was perhaps too "excited" before the match in anticipation of the start of the tournament.

"There was a little bit of excitement and impatience. We'd been waiting for the last 10 days to get preparations right," he said.

"The messaging at halftime from me was just be patient and it will come.

"That's one game down, (and) another six to go."

Bos was confident that the Socceroos – who return to Group B action on Thursday night (AEDT) against Syria at Jassim bin Hamad Stadium – could go "all the way".

"We've got the quality and the boys to do it," said Bos, who is now based in Belgium where he plays his club football for Westerlo.

Coach's tactics will give Matildas success

Erin Smith

Matildas midfielder Tameka Yallop says the tactics which earned Tony Gustavsson plenty of criticism will be what gets the national team over the line against Uzbekistan without goalscoring hero Sam Kerr.

As Kerr posted the first photo of herself post-surgery on Instagram, showing the thumbs up to her 1.8 million followers with her right leg in a compression bandage, the Matildas continue to plot ways to ensure they not only qualify for the 2024 Paris Olympics but reach their goal of bringing home a medal.

Yallop said with Kerr ruled out of the qualifiers with an ACL injury and incredibly unlikely to play at the Olympics should the Matildas qualify – having the depth in the squad had the team confident they could deliver good results.

"It's tough for Sam and all the girls are rallying around her, it's such a major injury and for it to happen to anyone is devastating," Yallop said.

The Matildas will take on Uzbekistan for the final leg of the Olympic Qualifiers on February 24 and then in front of a home crowd on February 28.

Terrific Tigers pile pain on Pies

Darcy Jennings, Nathaniel Chambers

The Nightcliff Tigers have leapt to the top of the NTFL table sending the Palmerston Magpies to a new low in a disappointing 2023-24 season.

The Tigers were merciless against Palmerston, who this week parted ways with coach Josh Heath, as 16 players got on board in the 31.27 (213) to 1.4 (10) victory.

The 203-point winning margin is the largest of the season, beating St Mary's 175-point win earlier in the season.

Big man John Butcher was the first to kick a maximum, following a number of shanks from his compatriots, who all righted their radar, as four goals in five minutes blew the Pies off the park.

Despite their best efforts the Pies were unable to put anything of substance together in offence, irrespective of Alexander Paech, Lucas Edmonds and Tyson Young's efforts around the park.

Adrian Scott, Lachlan Tardrew and Zachary Moody led the way for the goal scorers with four each.

Brodie Filo, Cameron Wild and Cooper Dahms pulled the strings from the midfield, each building on the strong form they've well and truly shown this season.

Tigers' VFL recruit Tardrew said the performance was exactly what coach Leigh Crossman was after, to show his side belonged on top.

"That was definitely Leigh's message coming into the game, we wanted to play how we would come finals," he said.

Magpies: 0.3 0.3 1.4 1.4 (10)
Tigers: 9.4 14.14 18.20 31.27 (213)
Goals – Magpies: Tyson Young
Tigers: Zach Moody 4, Adrian Scott 4, Lachlan Tardrew 4, Nathan Brown 2, John Butcher 2, Cooper Dahms 2, Cameron Wild 2, Stanley Cox, Brodie Filo, Dylan Garnham, Jackson Grundy, Billy Henderson, Cameron Illet, Mitchell Norton, Jonathan Peris, Petros Politis, Lewis Rinaldi, Jake Twycross
Best – Magpies: Alexander Paech, Waylon Davey, Tyson Young, Lucas Edmonds, Michael Driscoll
Tigers: Lachlan Tardrew, Cameron Wild, Brodie Filo, Cooper Dahms, Zach Moody

WARATAH TOO HOT FOR TIWI

Nathaniel Chambers

Waratah survived the challenge of a resurgent Tiwi Bombers to move up the NTFL table, and snap their foes winning streak.

The Tahs came into the encounter knowing their shot at the finals double chance was on the line, but against a Tiwi side with three straight wins they had a challenge in store.

It came down to a decisive third quarter in wet conditions where they scored five unanswered goals that Waratah finally won 16.19 (115) to 8.4 (52).

Tiwi skipper Brendan Kantilla, fresh from suspension, showed his skills immediately with an immense pick-up to turn momentum, followed by the match's first goal down the other end.

The Bombers had their tails up from there, but Waratah responded using the likes of the newly returned Eddie Morris and Lachlan Cassidy to clear the ball. Though wayward shots from Brodie Carroll and Abe Ankers meant it came down to the league's leading goalkicker Jayden Magro to boot the first for his side.

Jack O'Sullivan was crucial in defence for the red and whites, disrupting the Bombers' efforts, alongside Dylan Collis and Will Clark. But Tiwi kept at, particularly with Karlson Kantilla holding his own in the ruck against Arnold Kirby, while Thaddeus Puautjimi was a constant source of excitement, whether stepping or scoring.

Waratah was just stronger coming out of the midfield, with Ankers clearing, and the second, or sometimes third, efforts of the forwards allowed them to put the pressure on. A slippy ball played a big part, particularly as the rain came down in the second quarter, though Tiwi held on and threw itself into every contest.

Brayden Rioli showed his speed and willingness to get involved when he came darting through to set up a Roy Kantilla score from far out. It was a mini resurgence and they kept coming, and even though Timmy Kerinaiua showed his defensive prowess, they came away with the scores to narrow the margin.

However, a freakish effort from Dwayne Kerinaiua, slicing the ball into goal from an angle helped keep the Tahs ahead.

And as the rain ceased Waratah played more restrained and controlled game in the second half to strangle the contest.

Morris remained a highlight, adding to his own goal tally, while Scott Carlin made a real impact, building on his strong season.

Tiwi still had its moments of magic late, but Waratah locked in second spot ahead of its bye round.

"It's pretty exciting to get the win, I moved interstate a few months back so this was my first time back in a while," Morris said.

"It's been hard watching the games from afar, that's for sure, but to finally be able to fly in and catch up with the group has been great, and we're tracking really well at the moment.

"Tiwi are a quick side, you can't give them space because they have the pace and skill to take the game on, so we had to concentrate on body work, winning the contest and spreading from there.

"We spoke at halftime about stopping playing so fast, controlling the footy and making them defend, which is where we really started to put some scoreboard pressure on them.

"I'll be back in another three or so weeks looking at the St Mary's game because against them we will still be fighting for a top three spot."

Waratah: 3.4 8.8 14.13 16.19 (115)
Bombers: 2.0 6.1 6.3 8.4 (52)
Goals – Waratah: Jayden Magro 5, Eddie Morris 3, Joel Hillis 2, Scott Carlin, Toby Hutt, Dwayne Kerinaiua, Brodie Carroll, Anthony Munkara, Arnold Kirby
Bombers: Thaddeus Puautjimi 3, Brendan Kantilla 2, Roy Kantilla, Stanley Tipiloura, Jayden Alimankinni
Best – Waratah: Eddie Morris, Jayden Magro, Jack O'Sullivan, Scott Carlin, Arnold Kirby
Bombers: Thaddeus Puautjimi, Brendan Kantilla, Michael Thompson, Brayden Rioli, Karlson Kantilla

Tigers trounce Magpies

The Nightcliff women kept themselves in the fight for a finals double chance after a dominant, if inaccurate, performance against the Palmerston Magpies.

Out at a swampy Cazalys oval, it was a contest that saw neither outfit take a backwards step, with the Tigers clawing their way to a 7.13 (55) to 1.0 (6) win.

Nightcliff got on the scoresheet early, courtesy of Natasha Tile who slotted it down the middle.

They would become their own worst enemies as the game went on however, with a multitude of wayward shots and missed kicks limiting the overall damage on the scoreboard.

Nightcliff's Maighan Fogas was an absolute menace all game long, with the ever solid tandem of Sophie Hatzismalis and Hannah Turnbull also shining.

For the Pies', their captain Tatayna Perry, alongside fellow backs Hannah Torsney and Jessica Fatnowna were immense at halting Nightcliff's forward pressure. Tigers' Fogas said her team needed a physical matchup after their 136 point win over Wanderers last weekend.

Magpies: 0.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 (6)
Tigers: 3.3 5.4 5.9 7.13 (55)
Best - Magpies: Tatyana Perry, Jessica Fatnowna, Ella Ward, Tsharni Graham, Hannah Torsney
Tigers: Maighan Fogas, Sophie Hatzismalis, Cassie McWilliam, Hannah Turnbull, Chloe Jacobs

Marsh's incredible 25 year innings comes to a conclusion

Shaun Marsh feels a sense of relief and sadness as he retires from professional cricket after almost a quarter of a century.

The West Australian great announced on Sunday that the Big Bash League match between his Melbourne Renegades and the Sydney Thunder on Wednesday night would be the last of a career that started some 23 summers ago.

Marsh, 40, played the last of his 38 Tests and 73 one-day internationals in 2019.

He kept playing domestically for WA before retiring at the end of last season.

Marsh continued into this BBL season with the Renegades after he moved from the Perth Scorchers in 2019.

Having overcome calf issues, his form has not diminished.

The left-hander has posted three half-centuries from five innings this season, including an unbeaten 64 to lead the Renegades to victory against the Melbourne Stars on Saturday night at Marvel Stadium.

However, the Renegades' underwhelming season has contributed to Marsh's decision, which he made last week, to pull up stumps on his decorated career.

"I probably knew at the start of the season that it was more than likely going to be my last year but there was no sort of decision made up until probably after our second-last game ago," Marsh said on Sunday.

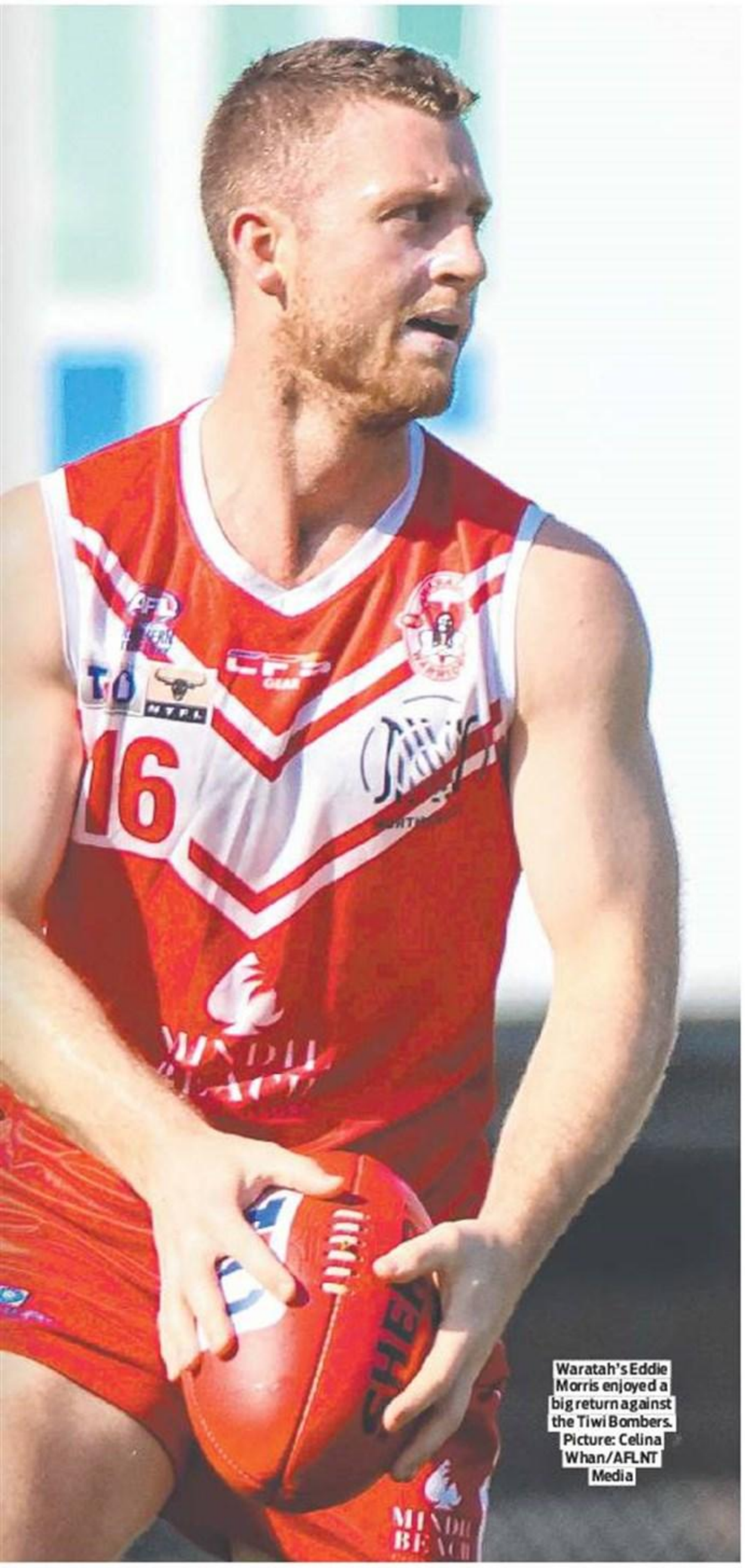
"We had a nine-day break and went home with the family and just felt right then that this was going to be it.

"It's probably a sense of relief but also some sadness knowing that it's all over – sort of leave knowing that you gave everything and it's the right time to walk away.

"I think just mentally it was more just knowing that I was probably done.

"My body, even though I feel like I'm batting really well. Just moving around in the field has been a lot harder this year. And I just thought it was the right time now with where we're at.

"I think everyone at the Renegades had high hopes this year of being a lot further up the ladder and not making the finals gives the guys a good chance now to reset and get some younger players in and build around those players."



Waratah's Eddie Morris enjoyed a big return against the Tiwi Bombers. Picture: Celina Whan/AFLNT Media

Greenants' closing on goal for first finals

Eagles win a percentage boost

Ian Butterworth, Nathaniel Chambers

PINT stamped its authority on a hapless Wanderers outfit in round 13 to strengthen its push towards a first NTFL finals spot

After a meritorious triumph by the Greenants last round, they continued to build towards a top three finish with an 18.13 (121) to 1.4 (10) thumping.

The Greenants kicked into gear from the first bounce as Harry McKimmie kicked two goals within the opening four minutes.

Connor McDonald had immediately taken control in the ruck and was providing an armchair ride for hard working midfielders Sam Kalbfell, Elliot Chalmers and Nathan Nolan.

The undersized Eagles defence copped an early blow when inspirational skipper Mitchel Taylor was forced from the field with a hip injury.

While there was a strong determination to fill the void by Braedon McLean, Zac Pethybridge and Nathan Arbon, they were eventually overwhelmed by taller opponents Matt Ryan and Jacob Moloney.

Four goals four behinds in the second term was again not a true measure of the PINT supremacy, but the Greenants again held the Muk Muks goalless thanks to a defence that was proving impassable.

Muk Muks' coach Aaron Motlop threw himself into the contest in his first Premier League match in three seasons, but it wasn't until late in the third that his side registered a goal through Simon Bates.

PINT's Connor McDonald.

The Eagles again failed to score a six-pointer in the last term while PINT had 10 goal kickers – a sharing of the load that clearly pleased the strong contingent of supporters.

Greenants coach Shannon Motlop was concerned about the way his team rallied in the last half last week against Waratah and said they were keen to reverse that trend and play four quarters.

"We didn't know what to expect today so unlike last week we were determined to play four quarters and I was happy with that aspect of the game," Motlop said.

"Obviously, Wanderers are struggling a bit at the moment, but you still have to get the job done and you need to do it well no matter who you play.

"Our percentage is not up with some of the others and two big losses early in the season didn't help so today will go a long way towards improving that. We are getting enough wins to push for top three so we will just keep going about our business. We are only one game out of top spot and many of the others still have a bye round while we don't."

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> **AARON MOTLOP**
> Muk Muks' coach

The coach had special praise for his ruckman.

"Connor was terrific again today. He has been great all year and is in our awards most weeks – he plays like another midfielder," added Motlop.

Wanderers: 0.0 0.2 1.3 1.4 (10)
PINT 3.5 7.9 14.11 18.13 (121)
Goals – Wanderers: Simon Bates **PINT:** Matt Ryan 3, Jacob Moloney 3, Harry McKimmie 2, Luke McConnell 2, Warwick Williams 2, Benjamin Brett 2, Andrew Mead-Harding, Harrison Maher, Kyle Kirk, Mitch Pulmer

Best – Wanderers: Sam Davidson, Zac Pethybridge, Jaxon East Braedon McLean, Kayne Cox
PINT: Elliot Chalmers, Sam Kalbfell, Connor McDonald, Brad Ryan, Harrison Maher

Australian opener Steve Smith.

Selectors take up Smith on his invitation to open

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"I don't think they sort of took me seriously until I got to Sydney and I was like 'I'm actually being genuine here. I'd be keen to get up top and face the new ball.'

"And they were like, 'all right, well, we'll take that under advisement and see how it all looks.'

"You know, I think they are very keen to get Cameron (Green) in the side as well, I think and sort of play our best six batters.

"For me, it didn't sort of sit right having him come in and bat up top.

"I've played for a long time and I'm an experienced player and I think it's something that I should have done."

Smith was talking in Adelaide, where the Test squad has convened before the start of the series against the West Indies on Wednesday.

He said he wasn't certain whether he would play out his Test career as an opener but he didn't want to contemplate the possibility of failure.

"I don't want to think negative thoughts at all," Smith said. "So you can you can have your opinion on that.

"(I'm an opener) for now, I suppose. Depends what happens. If someone gets injured in the middle and the next batter is a genuine opener, maybe they slot back in there and I go back down.

"I don't know the answer but for right now we have what we believe is our best six batters playing and I'm slotting in up top."

The former Australian captain said he was relishing the chance to face the new ball and he didn't enjoy having to wait to bat.

"I'm looking forward to it, the opportunity to get in and face the new ball," Smith said.

"It's something that isn't really foreign to me. There have been numerous occasions where I've come in early doors and batted at No.3 for quite a while there.

"Really, the only reason I went down to No.4 was because I was captain. I wanted to give myself some more time to just refresh mentally after thinking so much in the field."

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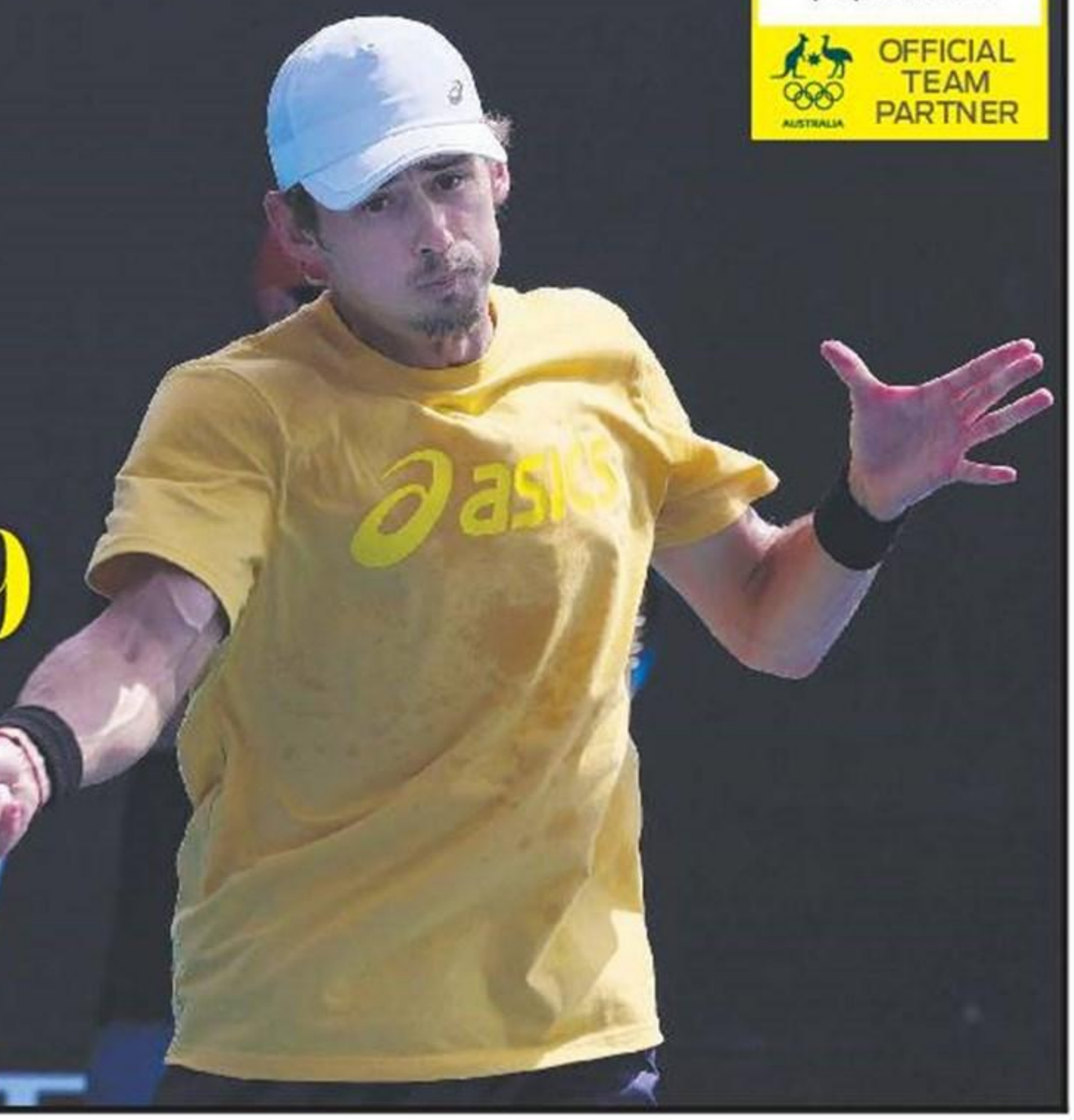
Aussie tennis star Alex De Minaur practising before his opening round clash at the Australian Open. Picture: Michael Klein



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SMITH'S IDEA TO MOVE UP ORDER NO JOKE

Daniel Cherny

Steve Smith says Australian selectors thought he was joking when he first canvassed the idea of replacing David Warner as Test opener.

Smith said on Sunday that he had floated the idea as early as during last year's Ashes tour but that it wasn't until the start of 2024 that the idea of him moving alongside Usman Khawaja started to grow serious legs.

Asked if he thought that the selectors had taken him seriously when he raised the prospect of an elevation to the top of the order, Smith replied: "Not really.

"I've kind of been pushing it for a few weeks, even before Perth I think, and I might have floated it in England just randomly and said 'I'll get up top and I'm happy to play up top'.

"In Perth, I kind of said 'you know after Davey's done I'm actually keen to get up there'.

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